

## House Resolution 1294

By: Representatives Jackson of the 68<sup>th</sup>, Reese of the 140<sup>th</sup>, Mitchell of the 88<sup>th</sup>, Willis of the 55<sup>th</sup>, and Prince of the 132<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 19, 2026, Alpha Day at the Capitol; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity  
3 established for African-American men, was founded at Cornell University in Ithaca, New  
4 York, on December 4, 1906, by Henry Arthur Callis, Charles Henry Chapman, Eugene  
5 Kinckle Jones, George Biddle Kelley, Nathaniel Allison Murray, Robert Harold Ogle, and  
6 Vertner Woodson Tandy, known as the "Jewels", who recognized the need for a strong bond  
7 of Brotherhood among African descendants in this country; and

8 WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., for 119 years, has been a beacon of light to  
9 the community by staying true to its aims of manly deeds, scholarship, and love for all  
10 mankind; and

11 WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., has a current membership of over 70,000  
12 college-educated men, inducted into over 700 college and alumni chapters in the United  
13 States, Europe, Asia, and the Caribbean; and

14 WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., continues to live its mission of developing  
15 leaders, promoting brotherhood and academic excellence while providing service and

16 advocacy for our communities by contributing over \$2.3 million in educational scholarships  
17 and volunteering 850,000 community service hours; and

18 WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. counts renowned Georgians as members, such  
19 as Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Ambassador Andrew Young, Mayor Maynard H.  
20 Jackson, Senator Raphael Warnock, Congressman David Scott, W.E.B. Dubois, Dr. Louis  
21 Sullivan, Actor Omari Hardwick, John Hope, Georgia State Representatives Derrick Jackson  
22 and Tremaine "Teddy" Reese and Billy Mitchell, and former Representative Edward  
23 "Mickey" Stephens; and

24 WHEREAS, the 19th Annual Alpha Day at the Capitol convenes under the leadership of  
25 Georgia District Director James Ford, II; Assistant District Director Khalil Jackson; and  
26 Political Action Committee Chairman Aaron Johnson, representing 42 chapters across the  
27 State.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body recognize February 19, 2026, Alpha Day at the Capitol and urge  
30 all citizens to recognize and applaud the contributions of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.,  
31 and the Georgia District in their commitment to making our communities a better place to  
32 reside.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Alpha  
35 Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.