

## House Resolution 1739

By: Representatives Davis of the 87<sup>th</sup>, Kendrick of the 95<sup>th</sup>, Hugley of the 141<sup>st</sup>, Jackson of the 165<sup>th</sup>, Schofield of the 63<sup>rd</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 16, 2026, as the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Day on the Hill; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. was organized on November 12, 1922, in  
4 Indianapolis, Indiana, by seven young educators: Mary Lou Allison Gardner Little, Dorothy  
5 Hanley Whiteside, Vivian Irene White Marbury, Nannie Mae Gahn Johnson, Hattie Mae  
6 Annette Dulin Redford, Bessie Mae Downey Rhoades Martin, and Cubena McClure; and

7 WHEREAS, the group became an incorporated national collegiate sorority on December 30,  
8 1929, when a charter was granted to the Alpha chapter at Butler University, becoming the  
9 only sorority in the National Pan-Hellenic Council to not have been founded at Howard  
10 University; and

11 WHEREAS, since its inception, the dedicated women of Sigma Gamma Rho have earned  
12 and maintained an exemplary reputation throughout the State of Georgia for leading positive  
13 change to help uplift the community through sisterhood, leadership, and service; and

14 WHEREAS, this distinguished organization upholds its mission statement of "Greater  
15 Service, Greater Progress" by providing positive and proactive community outreach that  
16 promotes the greater good in education, service, and leadership development; and

17 WHEREAS, across its more than 500 international chapters, Sigma Gamma Rho has  
18 welcomed more than 100,000 collegiate and professional women from every profession; and

19 WHEREAS, Sigma Gamma Rho offers its members opportunities to develop their unique  
20 talents through leadership training and involvement in sorority activities that create personal  
21 and professional bonds which last a lifetime; and

22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this exceptional sorority be appropriately  
23 honored during this special time for its enduring commitment to the highest ideals of  
24 sisterhood, respect, honesty, accountability, integrity, excellence, and communication.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
26 the members of this body recognize March 16, 2026, as the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Day  
27 on the Hill.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
29 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
30 Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc.