MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representatives Wooten, Bell (21st), Taylor

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE CLINTON, MADISON COUNTY AND JACKSON CHAPTERS OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC., ALONG WITH JACKSON ASSOCIATION AND DEVELOPMENT ENTERPRISE, INC. (JADE), ON THE OCCASION OF MISSISSIPPI DELTA DAYS AT THE CAPITOL IN 2018.

6 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a national, 7 nonprofit and nonpartisan sisterhood and public service 8 organization that has stood the test of time, celebrating their 9 105-year anniversary this year, and is represented by over 1,000 10 chapters throughout the United States, England, Japan, Germany, 11 the Virgin Islands, the Bahamas and the Republic of Korea 12 including numerous chapters within the State of Mississippi; and WHEREAS, on January 29 and 30, the Clinton, Madison County 13 and Jackson Alumnae Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., 14 15 along with Jackson Association and Development Enterprise, Inc., 16 (JADE), is hosting the 2018 Delta Days at the Capitol to educate 17 and stimulate its members regarding public policy and advocacy, marking more than two decades of social action spawned by the 18

19 sorority to remain politically engaged and adept of policy
20 implementation in the State of Mississippi; and

21 WHEREAS, Mississippi 2018 Delta Days at the Capitol is a time 22 for members to engage with elected officials and promote awareness 23 for important legislative issues impacting the community of Delta 24 Sigma Theta sisters under the umbrella of this year's focus, 25 "Defining the Moment...Believing in the Power of WE!" and working 26 towards fully funded education, pay equity, and a more informed, 27 engaged electoral base; and

28 WHEREAS, during these Delta Days of outstanding opportunity, 29 nearly 150 participants are expected to engage in workshops and 30 sessions lead by experts in the areas of education, funding, 31 support for all children to succeed, and the collaborations that 32 serve to impact them positively for the children and families of 33 the State of Mississippi; and

34 WHEREAS, this year marks the 54th National Conference, which 35 will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, in 2019, a conference that Deltas around the world will flock to in order to engage in the 36 37 interactive workshops to attain a new perspective of sisterhood 38 and gain knowledge to become game changers in society; and 39 WHEREAS, the ladies from the Alumnae Chapters of Alcorn 40 County, Bolivar County, Clarksdale-Marks, Clay County, Clinton, Greenville, Greenwood-Itta Bena, Hattiesburg, Jackson, Madison, 41

42 Meridian, Mississippi Gulf Coast, Moss Point, Natchez, Pike 43 County, Vicksburg and Yazoo City, along with the young ladies from

H. R. No. 2 **\* OFFICIAL \*** 18/HR26/R607 PAGE 2 (ENK\KW) 44 the colleges of Alcorn State University, Mississippi State 45 University, Rust College, the University of Mississippi and the 46 University of Southern Mississippi will convene in Jackson, 47 Mississippi, to continue the legacy of Mississippi Delta Days at 48 the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, public service and social change have been synonymous with this organization since it was founded in 1913, and sparked a movement that has shown growth of more than 300,000 members nationwide; and

53 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to 54 commend such dedicated civic organizations as Delta Sigma Theta 55 Sorority, Inc., that have given countless volunteer hours to 56 educate and improve communities throughout this great state and 57 the world:

58 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF 59 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby 60 commend the Mississippi Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, 61 Inc., for their commitment to educate and improve communities 62 throughout the State of Mississippi.

63 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 64 furnished to the Mississippi Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta 65 Sorority, Inc., and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.