

By: Representatives Taylor, Bell (65th),
Butler-Washington, James-Jones

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 83

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE SERVICE AND DEDICATION OF MRS.
2 CYNTHIA M.A. BUTLER-MCINTYRE PROVIDED TO DELTA SIGMA THETA
3 SORORITY, INC., DURING HER TERM AS THE ORGANIZATION'S 24TH
4 NATIONAL PRESIDENT, IN OBSERVANCE OF WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH.

5 WHEREAS, during the term 2008-2013, which also included the
6 organization's Centennial Anniversary of its founding in the final
7 year of the term, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., was under the
8 auspicious leadership of Mrs. Cynthia M.A. Butler-McIntyre, who
9 shouldered the banner of advancing the sorority's mission with
10 honor, grace, integrity and deft finesse as the 24th National
11 President; and

12 WHEREAS, referred to as the "Centennial President," former
13 National President Butler-McIntyre is a 1973 initiate of the Beta
14 Gamma Chapter at Dillard University and present member of the New
15 Orleans Alumnae Chapter whose dedicated service on the local,
16 state, regional and national levels along with her determined
17 spirit has gained the respect and admiration of each of Delta's
18 nearly 300,000 members; and



19 WHEREAS, esteemed as a "leader with a servant's heart,"
20 former National President Butler-McIntyre had completed the
21 necessary academic studies to earn both her bachelor of arts
22 degree from Dillard University and master of education degree from
23 the University of New Orleans, and by the age of 20, she served
24 the children of Jefferson Parish Public School System for more
25 than 30 years as a kindergarten teacher, assistant principal and
26 summer school principal before ultimately retiring as the school
27 system's Director of Human Resources, while also contributing her
28 educational expertise and enhanced acumen to higher education on
29 the campuses of Delgado Community College and the University of
30 New Orleans; and

31 WHEREAS, an education activist and advocate, who currently
32 serves as an educational consultant to new teachers and
33 administrators seeking certification and licensure, former
34 National President Butler-McIntyre's record of service,
35 achievement and accomplishments have been recognized by numerous
36 professional, religious, civic and educational organizations
37 around the world, which have included: the bestowing of an
38 honorary doctorate degree in divinity from Christian Bible College
39 of Louisiana and an honorary doctorate of Humane Letters from
40 Dillard University; recipient of more than ten other honors from
41 various universities; being named Bests Female Alumnus of an HBCU
42 by *HBCU Digest*; inclusion in *Who's Who in American Education*;
43 honored by and featured in *Essence* magazine; induction in the



44 African-American Hall of Fame by a local school; and the
45 dedication of the Cynthia M.A. Butler-McIntyre Elementary School
46 Campus in her honor in Cherette, Haiti, by her sorors of Delta
47 Sigma Theta in June 2013; and

48 WHEREAS, selected by former President Barack Obama, in 2011,
49 to serve as his appointee on the Board of Trustees of the
50 Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation, former National
51 President Butler-McIntyre is also a member of the National Board
52 of the National Council of Negro Women, NAACP and the National
53 Alliance of Black School Educators, while maintaining her
54 unwavering devotion to local affiliates, including the teachers'
55 union board, the Martin Luther King Task Force, a charter school
56 board for young males, a former NBA player's foundation and the
57 board of a community health care center; and

58 WHEREAS, inarguably skilled in the art of perfecting the
59 work-life-service balance, former National President
60 Butler-McIntyre, who was recently selected by Louisiana Governor,
61 Jeff Landry, to serve as a Commissioner on the Board of
62 Supervisors of all State Technical and Community Colleges, is a
63 lifelong member of Olive Branch Baptist Church, the National
64 Baptist Convention of America and The Links, Inc., and has enjoyed
65 the unyielding support and admiration of her husband, Mr. Ronney
66 McIntyre, along with their four children and three grandchildren;
67 and



68 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
69 acknowledge and commend the diligent works of remarkably
70 astounding women of former National President Butler-McIntyre's
71 caliber and refined character:

72 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
73 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
74 commend the service and dedication of Mrs. Cynthia M.A.
75 Butler-McIntyre provided to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.,
76 during her term as the organization's 24th National President, in
77 observance of Women's History Month, extend our heartfelt
78 appreciation for her impactful contributions to this nation and
79 express our greatest hope for continued success in all her future
80 endeavors.

81 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
82 furnished to Mrs. Cynthia M.A. Butler-McIntyre and to the members
83 of the Capitol Press Corps.

