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3 By Representatives Kennedy, Hall, Moore (M), Coleman and
4 Warren
5 RFD: Rules
6 First Read: 05-APR-11

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 RECOGNIZING DELTA DAY AT THE ALABAMA STATE CAPITOL
4 ON THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2011, AND COMMENDING DELTA SIGMA THETA
5 SORORITY, INCORPORATED.
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7 WHEREAS, it is with great pleasure that we recognize
8 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, on the observance of
9 the 19th Annual Delta Day on Thursday, April 14, 2011, at the
10 Alabama State Capitol; and

11 WHEREAS, a sisterhood founded on January 13, 1913,
12 by 22 collegiate women at Howard University, Delta Sigma Theta
13 Sorority now has grown to a membership of more than 250,000
14 women, predominantly Black and college-educated, in more than
15 960 chapters throughout the United States and abroad; and

16 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority follows a
17 national Five Point Program: Economic Development, Educational
18 Development, International Awareness and Involvement, Physical
19 and Mental Health, and Political Awareness and Involvement;
20 the sorority promotes academic excellence, provides
21 scholarships, and encourages positive public policy; and

22 WHEREAS, the State of Alabama is proud to recognize
23 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority members who serve in the Alabama
24 Legislature: Senator Linda Coleman and former Senator Sundra
25 Escott; Representatives Laura Hall, Merika Coleman, Mary

1 Moore, Pebblin Warren, and Dr. Yvonne Kennedy, 19th National
2 President, who will be honored with the Inaugural Honorable
3 Dr. Yvonne Kennedy Servant Leadership Social Action Luncheon;
4 we also honor additional Delta Sigma Theta members: the late
5 national Congresswomen of distinction, Shirley Chisholm,
6 Barbara Jordan, and Stephanie Tubbs Jones; as well as Dr.
7 Regina Benjamin, an Alabama native nominated on July 13, 2009,
8 to serve as the United States Surgeon General, who was
9 unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate on October
10 29, 2009; and Reverend Gwendolyn E. Boyd, 22nd National
11 President, a native Alabamian and member of the Board of
12 Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in
13 Education Foundation, nominee of President Barack Obama; and

14 WHEREAS, an organization characterized by membership
15 bonding, mutual support, and public interest, Delta Sigma
16 Theta Sorority has been of significant benefit to young women
17 and their communities through the years; the State of Alabama
18 is proud to recognize the organization's significant
19 contributions to educational, civic, and social advancement;
20 now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
22 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Delta Sigma Theta Sorority,
23 Incorporated, is most highly commended on the occasion of
24 Delta Day on Thursday, April 14, 2011, at the Alabama State
25 Capitol, and we offer this resolution for presentation to Lois

1 Gilder, Interim Southern Regional Director, and for
2 appropriate display, with our sincere best wishes for all
3 future endeavors.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 07-APR-11.

Greg Pappas
Clerk

Senate

25-MAY-11

Adopted