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8 RECOGNIZING ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY DAY ON MAY 6,  
9 2021.

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11 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA) Sorority Day at the  
12 Capitol will be May 6, 2021, with all three states in the  
13 South Eastern Region, Alabama, Mississippi, and Tennessee,  
14 combined; this year's celebration will be virtual for  
15 Connection Committees and AKA members from the South Eastern  
16 Region; and

17 WHEREAS, recent events such as the viral witnessing  
18 of the death of George Floyd and the January 6, 2021, U.S.  
19 Capitol Insurrection have exposed rifts in the relationships  
20 between police and the communities they protect and serve; and

21 WHEREAS, trust between law enforcement agencies and  
22 the people they protect and serve is essential in a democracy;  
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24 WHEREAS, law enforcement and the communities they  
25 protect and serve are grappling with new challenges and the  
26 increased complexity as both work for safer communities,  
27 prevention of crime, and building trust across demographic

1 lines in an era of economic disparity, social media, and  
2 identity politics; and

3                   WHEREAS, we acknowledge and respect the work and  
4 dedication of our public safety officer members who put their  
5 lives at risk every day to serve and protect the public  
6 without regard to race, color, and creed; furthermore, we  
7 recognize the complex challenges that law enforcement  
8 confronts and faces throughout our state; and

9                   WHEREAS, police departments, elected officials,  
10 individual officers, public safety unions, and community  
11 leaders all have roles to play in putting an end to systemic  
12 racism, dysfunctional cultures, and abusive practices in law  
13 enforcement wherever they exist, and they support programs  
14 that take a comprehensive and inclusive look at  
15 community-based initiatives addressing core issues, such as  
16 poverty, education, health, and safety; now therefore,

17                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
18 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That while much work remains to be  
19 done to address many long-standing issues and challenges, not  
20 only within the field of law enforcement, but also within the  
21 broader criminal justice system, trust between law enforcement  
22 agencies and the people they protect and serve is key to the  
23 stability of our communities and to the integrity of our  
24 criminal justice system.

25                   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That "In unity, there is  
26 strength", as we work together to address current issues in

1 our Legislative Districts, the state, and the nation as we  
2 remain "supreme in service to all mankind."