

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 290220

ADOPTED ON JUN 08 1998

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., founded in 1908 at Howard University is the oldest African American sorority, and has grown to a current membership of more than 200,000, including 800 undergraduate and alumni chapters in cities throughout Europe, the USA, West Indies, Bahamas, and West Africa; and

WHEREAS, Epsilon Xi Omega Chapter, San Diego is a service organization which supports national and local efforts of the N.A.A.C.P., National Urban League, National Council of Negro Women, and the United Negro College Fund; and

WHEREAS, Epsilon Xi Omega Chapter is extremely active in the San Diego community sponsoring ten Head Start Centers, the Euclid Senior Citizens Project, and partnership with the American Red Cross, and supporting YMCA Battered Women's Program, the N.A.A.C.P., the San Diego County Black Chamber of Commerce, Jackie Robinson YMCA, YWCA, Girl's Club of San Diego, Elementary Institute of Science, and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha's flagship PIMS (Partnership in Math and Science) program, designed to engage African American students in math and science studies, and executed locally in the School of Talibah under the direction of Dr. Irene T. Outlaw, president of the Epsilon Xi Omega Chapter and who was recently featured in the San Diego Union-Tribune; and

WHEREAS, Epsilon Xi Omega Chapter has sponsored forty-three annual Debutante Balls designed to prepare promising young ladies for adulthood and help them develop socially

and culturally; and

WHEREAS, this year Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. will be celebrating it's 90th Anniversary; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, hereby commends Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. for ninety years of service and contributions made both collectively and individually to stimulate young imagination and to encourage their hopes and dreams.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that June 8, 1998 is hereby proclaimed to be "**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Day**" in The City of San Diego.

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