

HR 8045

2022

1 House Resolution

2 A resolution acknowledging the remarkable
3 contributions made to the people of this state by
4 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and recognizing
5 February 20, 2022, as the 28th annual "Delta Days at
6 the Capitol."

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8 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a private,
9 not-for-profit organization founded 109 years ago on January 13,
10 1913, by 22 collegiate women at Howard University in Washington,
11 D.C., and

12 WHEREAS, in March of 1913, the founders of Delta Sigma
13 Theta Sorority, Inc., performed their first public act by
14 participating in the Woman Suffrage Procession in Washington,
15 D.C., demanding rights for women, including the right to vote, a
16 historic endeavor that transformed the role of women in the
17 democratic process, and

18 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a sisterhood
19 of predominantly Black college-educated women committed to
20 implementing the sorority's mission by providing assistance and
21 support through established programs in communities throughout
22 the world in the areas of economic development, educational
23 development, physical and mental health, political awareness and
24 involvement, and international awareness and involvement, and

25 WHEREAS, with more than 250,000 women initiated and more
 26 than 900 chapters worldwide, 52 of which are located in Florida
 27 and the Bahamas, members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.,
 28 are pillars of the community and agents of change who serve in
 29 many capacities, including as corporate and civic leaders,
 30 productive public officials, acclaimed academicians, and
 31 activists in their own right, and

32 WHEREAS, for the past 28 years, the Florida chapters of
 33 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., have conducted "Delta Days at
 34 the Capitol," during which members have the opportunity to
 35 effect social change and public policy, advocate for social
 36 justice, enhance their knowledge of the state's legislative
 37 process, and influence the enactment of legislation of
 38 particular interest to African Americans and women, and

39 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Southern Regional Director
 40 Deidra K. Diaz and Southern Regional Representative Kyrsten
 41 Sheffield, members of the 52 chapters of Delta Sigma Theta
 42 Sorority, Inc., now serving Florida and the Bahamas will convene
 43 virtually on February 20, 2022, to participate in the 28th
 44 annual "Delta Days at the Capitol," and

45 WHEREAS, Representatives Fentrice Driskell, Michele K.
 46 Rayner, Felicia Simone Robinson, and Patricia H. Williams and
 47 Senator Audrey Gibson are esteemed members of Delta Sigma Theta
 48 Sorority, Inc., NOW, THEREFORE,

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50 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
51 Florida:

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53 That the Florida House of Representatives commends Delta
54 Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for the remarkable contributions the
55 organization has made to the people of this state and recognizes
56 February 20, 2022, as the 28th annual "Delta Days at the
57 Capitol."