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Honoring Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., on reaching the historic milestone of 119 years of brotherhood as “Servants of All”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. WARNOCK submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Honoring Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., on reaching the historic milestone of 119 years of brotherhood as “Servants of All”.

Whereas Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., (referred to in this preamble as the “Fraternity”) was founded on December 4, 1906, at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York, as the first intercollegiate fraternity founded by African-American men, who are affectionately known as “The Seven Jewels”, Henry Arthur Callis, Charles Henry Chapman, Eugene Kinckle Jones, George Biddle Kelley, Nathaniel Allison Murray, Robert Harold Ogle, and Vertner Woodson Tandy;

Whereas the mission of the Fraternity is to develop leaders and promote brotherhood and academic excellence while providing service and advocacy to their communities;

Whereas the Fraternity, which is headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland, includes more than 720 college and alumni chapters and general-organization members, serving communities in the United States and other parts of North America, Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and Asia;

Whereas the Fraternity, whose motto is “First of All, Servants of All, We Shall Transcend All”, has long stood at the forefront of the African-American community’s fight for civil rights through Alpha men including—

- (1) Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.;
- (2) late former Congressman Adam Clayton Powell;
- (3) late former Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall;
- (4) legendary activist, actor, and performer Paul Robeson;
- (5) former Ambassador Andrew Young;
- (6) former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Charles Q. Brown, Jr.;
- (7) late former Senator Edward Brooke;
- (8) scholar Cornel West;
- (9) Maryland Governor Wes Moore;
- (10) the first Black Senator of Georgia, Senator Reverend Raphael Warnock;
- (11) former chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus Congressman Steven Horsford;
- (12) 5 other Members of Congress;
- (13) numerous State and local lawmakers across the United States; and
- (14) the President of Liberia, His Excellency Joseph Boakai, Sr.; and

Whereas the Fraternity, which was responsible for and led the effort to erect the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial, engages in general programs, including—

(1) “Brother’s Keeper”, which advocates for and improves the lives of its senior members and members with disabilities, as well as their spouses and widows;

(2) “A Voteless People Is A Hopeless People”, which engages in voter registration, engagement, and empowerment;

(3) “Go-to-High School, Go-to-College”, which concentrates on the importance of completing secondary and collegiate education as a road to advancement; and

(4) “Project Alpha”, which is designed to provide education, motivation, and skill-building on issues of responsibility, relationships, teen pregnancy, and sexually transmitted diseases for young males ages 12 to 15 years of age: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved,*

2 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

3 This resolution may be cited as the “Original Resolu-
4 tion Honoring Alpha Phi Alpha”.

5 **SEC. 2. RECOGNITION.**

6 The Senate congratulates and commends Alpha Phi
7 Alpha Fraternity, Inc., on 119 years of service.

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