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3 By Representatives Kennedy, Hall, Coleman, Moore (M) and
4 Warren
5 RFD: Rules
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8 RECOGNIZING DELTA DAY AT THE ALABAMA STATE CAPITOL
9 ON THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2010, AND COMMENDING DELTA SIGMA THETA
10 SORORITY, INCORPORATED.
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12 WHEREAS, it is with great pleasure that we recognize
13 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, on the observance of
14 Delta Day, Thursday, April 1, 2010, at the Alabama State
15 Capitol; and

16 WHEREAS, a sisterhood founded on January 13, 1913,
17 by 22 collegiate women at Howard University, Delta Sigma Theta
18 Sorority now has grown to a membership of more than 250,000
19 women, predominantly Black and college-educated, in more than
20 960 chapters throughout the United States and abroad; and

21 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority follows a
22 national Five Point Program: Economic Development, Educational
23 Development, International Awareness and Involvement, Physical
24 and Mental Health, and Political Awareness and Involvement;
25 the sorority promotes academic excellence, provides
26 scholarships, and encourages positive public policy; and

1 WHEREAS, the State of Alabama is proud to recognize
2 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority members who serve in the Alabama
3 Legislature: Senator Linda Coleman and former Senator Sundra
4 Escott; Representatives Laura Hall, Merika Coleman, Mary
5 Moore, Pebblin Warren, and Dr. Yvonne Kennedy, 19th National
6 President; and the late national Congresswomen of distinction,
7 Shirley Chisholm, Barbara Jordan, and Stephanie Tubbs Jones;
8 and Dr. Regina Benjamin, an Alabama native nominated on July
9 13, 2009, to serve as the United States Surgeon General, who
10 was unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate on
11 October 29, 2009; and Reverend Gwendolyn E. Boyd, 22nd
12 National President, a native Alabamian and member of the Board
13 of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence
14 in Education Foundation, nominee of President Barack Obama;
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16 WHEREAS, an organization characterized by membership
17 bonding, mutual support, and public interest, Delta Sigma
18 Theta Sorority has been of significant benefit to young women
19 and their communities through the years; the State of Alabama
20 is proud to recognize the organization's significant
21 contributions to educational, civic, and social advancement;
22 now therefore,

23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
24 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Delta Sigma Theta Sorority,
25 Incorporated, is most highly commended on the occasion of
26 Delta Day, Thursday, April 1, 2010, at the Alabama State
27 Capitol, and we offer this resolution for presentation to

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