

1 HJR119  
2 167005-2  
3 By Representative Hall  
4 RFD: Rules  
5 First Read: 14-APR-15

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 RECOGNIZING THE 23RD ANNUAL DELTA DAY AT THE ALABAMA  
4 STATE CAPITOL ON THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015, AND COMMENDING  
5 DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED.  
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7 WHEREAS, it is with great pleasure that we recognize  
8 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, on the observance of  
9 the 23rd Annual Delta Day on April 16, 2015, at the Alabama  
10 State Capitol; and

11 WHEREAS, a sisterhood founded on January 13, 1913,  
12 by 22 collegiate women at Howard University, Delta Sigma Theta  
13 Sorority now has grown to a membership of more than 250,000  
14 women, predominantly Black and college-educated, in more than  
15 1,000 chapters throughout the United States and abroad; and

16 WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority follows a  
17 national Five Point Program: Economic Development, Educational  
18 Development, International Awareness and Involvement, Physical  
19 and Mental Health, and Political Awareness and Involvement;  
20 the sorority promotes academic excellence, provides  
21 scholarships, and encourages positive public policy; and

22 WHEREAS, the State of Alabama is proud to recognize  
23 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority members who serve or served in the  
24 Alabama Legislature: Senator Linda Coleman and former Senator  
25 Sundra Escott; Representatives Laura Hall, Merika Coleman,

1 Mary Moore, Pebblin Warren, and the late Dr. Yvonne Kennedy,  
2 who was the 19th National President; we also honor additional  
3 Delta Sigma Theta members: the late national Congresswomen of  
4 distinction, Shirley Chisholm, Barbara Jordan, and Stephanie  
5 Tubbs Jones; as well as Dr. Regina Benjamin, an Alabama native  
6 who served as the United States Surgeon General, and Dr.  
7 Gwendolyn E. Boyd, 22nd National President, a native Alabamian  
8 of great accomplishment who has returned to her birthplace as  
9 the new President of Alabama State University; and

10 WHEREAS, an organization characterized by membership  
11 bonding, mutual support, and public interest, Delta Sigma  
12 Theta Sorority has been of significant benefit to young women  
13 and their communities through the years; the State of Alabama  
14 is proud to recognize the organization's significant  
15 contributions to educational, civic, and social advancement;  
16 now therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
18 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Delta Sigma Theta Sorority,  
19 Incorporated, is most highly commended on the occasion of  
20 Delta Day on Thursday, April 16, 2015, at the Alabama State  
21 Capitol, and we offer this resolution for presentation to  
22 Cheryl W. Turner, Southern Regional Director, and for  
23 appropriate display, with our sincere best wishes for all  
24 future endeavors.

