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HR_____ COMMENDING PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INCORPORATED,
AND ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED, ON APRIL 9, 2026,
FOR THEIR SERVICE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND NATIONWIDE.

WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly
conveyed to Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated, and
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, as we recognize them
on April 9, 2026, for their service in their communities and
nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated, was
founded at Howard University in Washington, D.C., on January
9, 1914, by three young African American male students;
since the beginning, the fraternity has treated all people
as equals and has encouraged others to treat one another as
equals as well; today, the fraternity has blossomed into an
international organization of leaders who proactively serve
their communities and diligently strive to positively impact
people's lives; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, was
founded on January 16, 1920, at Howard University in
Washington, D.C.; the sorority chronicled several firsts,
becoming the first National Pan-Hellenic Council
organization to centralize its operations in a national
headquarters; first to charter a chapter in Africa; first to
form auxiliary groups; and first to be constitutionally



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29 bound to a fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity,
30 Incorporated; always striving to bring positive change, the
31 sorority continuously transforms communities through
32 volunteer service by its members and auxiliaries; and

33 WHEREAS, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated, and
34 Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, share an authentic
35 brother-sister association; the fraternity has more than
36 125,000 members in 650 chapters across the United States,
37 Switzerland, and Africa; the sorority has more than 125,000
38 members in 800 chapters across the United States, Africa,
39 Europe, Asia, and the Caribbean; together, they work to
40 realize the vision of their founders: a deep and abiding
41 dedication to enhancing and promoting systematic fellowship,
42 African American self-determination, justice, equal rights,
43 and service to all humankind; and

44 WHEREAS, the members of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity,
45 Incorporated, and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, are
46 remarkable leaders and inspirations to many people around
47 the world; now therefore,

48 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
49 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity,
50 Incorporated, and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, are
51 highly commended for their service in their communities and
52 nationwide, and we hereby dedicate this resolution to the
53 fraternity and sorority with utmost admiration, along with
54 sincere best wishes for continued success in all future
55 endeavors.