

House Resolution No. 4607

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State service organizations which are devoted to helping others through community involvement activities; and

Whereas, Omicron Eta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, enjoys a stellar reputation for its nearly two decades of diverse service endeavors; and

Whereas, with roots which reach to the Mystical Pearls Interest Group, Omicron Eta Omega Chapter was formed on May 26, 1984, by such illustrious Charter Members as Rachel Branch Adkisson, Melanie Chambers, Michelle Chambers, Esther Haywood, Eula Keen, Shereyl Hoskin O'Neal, Rhonda Buckner Taylor, Wanda Jackson, Ercelia French Butler, Carolyn Kidd Royal, Sharon Irby Moore, Angela Haywood Gaskin, Cheryl Milton, Charlene Gary, and Marceila Curry Watkins; and

Whereas, during its early years Omicron Eta Omega Chapter focused on traditional programs of service which included voter registration drives, clothing and food drives, the Africare Assistance Program, job skills workshops, health awareness and education workshops, tax assistance programs, and the Energy Assistance Program; and

Whereas, Omicron Eta Omega has also instituted several programs which are still major parts of today's programming, such as the Salute to Black Men Awards Banquet and the Little Miss Fashionetta Pageant which allow the Chapter to financially support UNCF, NAACP, Urban League of Greater St. Louis, Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation, St. Louis Black Repertory Theater, and PAMOJO Theater Group activities; and

Whereas, Omicron Eta Omega has been guided by seven presidents down through the years, including Angela Haywood Gaskin, Melanie Chambers, Wanda Jackson, Carolyn Royal, Chardial Samuel, Cecily Curry, and current officeholder, Seletha Curtis:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to observe the nearly twenty-year-long history of Omicron Eta Omega and to convey to its officers and members this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations at reaching this milestone event in the chapter's ongoing legacy and our best wishes for many more years of success to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Omicron Eta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

Offered by _____
 Representative Esther Haywood
 District No. 71

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4607, adopted November 6, 2003.

 Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker