

1 A MEMORIAL

2 DECLARING FEBRUARY 6, 2016 "ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY DAY"  
3 IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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5 WHEREAS, alpha kappa alpha sorority, incorporated, was  
6 founded on January 15, 1908 at Howard university as the first  
7 African American Greek letter sorority; and

8 WHEREAS, the mission of alpha kappa alpha sorority is to  
9 cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical  
10 standards, to promote unity and friendship among college  
11 women, to study and alleviate problems concerning girls and  
12 women to improve their social stature, to maintain a  
13 progressive interest in college life and to be of "service to  
14 all mankind"; and

15 WHEREAS, one hundred eight years later, alpha kappa  
16 alpha sorority continues to provide exemplary service under  
17 "Launching New Dimensions of Service", the program theme of  
18 the sorority's international president; and

19 WHEREAS, the state maintains an award-winning graduate  
20 chapter of alpha kappa alpha sorority, known as the iota xi  
21 omega chapter; and

22 WHEREAS, the university of New Mexico maintains an  
23 undergraduate chapter of alpha kappa alpha sorority known as  
24 the tau phi chapter; and

25 WHEREAS, the iota xi omega and the tau phi chapters join HM 28  
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1 the south central region and other chapters across the globe  
2 in taking A.C.T.I.O.N.; and

3 WHEREAS, this A.C.T.I.O.N. will be demonstrated with a  
4 concentrated focus on family strengthening through support of  
5 family provisions and development of fiscally sound families  
6 and communities and by continuing the fight for the  
7 advancement of civil liberties and social justice  
8 initiatives;

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
10 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that February 6,  
11 2016 be declared "Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Day" in the  
12 house of representatives; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that past, present and future  
14 members of this illustrious sorority, who uphold its  
15 standards and are committed to its mission and dutifully  
16 serve its community, be honored; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
18 transmitted to the university of New Mexico chapter of alpha  
19 kappa alpha sorority, incorporated.