

RESOLUTION NO. 172
90th Anniversary of the St. Louis Alumnae Chapter
Of Delta Sigma Theta

WHEREAS, we are delighted to pause today in our deliberations to recognize the members of the St. Louis Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, on the occasion of their 90th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, in 1921, Founder Madree Penn White began a vigilant search for incoming members of the sorority in order to establish a chapter in the St. Louis area; it was significant that St. Louis was chosen as a new Chapter as it was strategically located in the center of the country; it was a region that offered a challenge for building wholesome inter-racial relations and attacking problems and issues pertinent to racial equality; and

WHEREAS, through tireless efforts and unrelenting determination and sometimes in the face of unexpected obstacles, on December 19, 1926. the Lambda Sigma Chapter was formed by Charter members Madree Penn White, Golda Crutcher, Elizabeth Gross Green, Helen Lucas, and Imogene Wilson; and

WHEREAS, in the 1960s, the original chapter name, Lambda Sigma Chapter, was officially changed to the **St. Louis Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**, and currently, there are 22 living past Presidents of the chapter; and

WHEREAS, the St. Louis Alumnae Chapter is extremely proud to be the home of their 14th National President, Frankie Muse Freeman, as well as six Central Regional Directors; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, members from the St. Louis Alumnae Chapter have served in numerous local, regional, and national level positions, offering their time, talents, and commitment to ensure that Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. continues to be the premier public service organization in the region and throughout the world.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize, acknowledge, and congratulate the members of the St. Louis Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on the occasion of their 90th anniversary. We further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 9th day of December, 2016, by:

The Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President, St. Louis Board of Aldermen

Adopted the 9th day of December, 2016, as attested by:

Timothy O'Connell
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen