

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.13

Reps. Yancey and Brenda Carter offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to declare January 13, 2021, as Delta Sigma Theta  
2 Sorority, Incorporated, Day in the state of Michigan.

3       Whereas, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is a private, not-  
4 for-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and  
5 support through established programs in local communities  
6 throughout the world. The organization is a sisterhood of  
7 predominantly black, college-education women; and

8       Whereas, On January 13, 1913, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
9 was founded at Howard University in the District of Columbia by:  
10 Osceola Macarthy Adams, Marguerite Young Alexander, Winona Cargile  
11 Alexander, Ethel Cuff Black, Bertha Pitts Campbell, Zephyr Chisom  
12 Carter, Edna Brown Coleman, Jessie McGuire Dent, Frederica Chase  
13 Dodd, Myra Davis Hemmings, Olive Jones, Jimmie Bugg Middleton,



1 Pauline Oberdorfer Minor, Vashti Turley Murphy, Naomi Sewell Toms,  
2 Ethel Carr Watson, Wertie Blackwell Weaver, Madree Penn White and  
3 Edith Motte Young; and

4 Whereas, In March 1913, the founders of Delta Sigma Theta  
5 Sorority, Inc. participated in the Women's Suffrage March in the  
6 District of Columbia, the sorority's first public act; and

7 Whereas, Since its founding, more than 350,000 women have  
8 joined the organization. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has  
9 twenty seven chapters in Michigan: Pontiac Alumnae, Zeta Rho, Theta  
10 Theta, Tau Psi, Tau, Southfield Alumnae, Saginaw Alumnae, Rho Mu,  
11 Omicron Zeta, NU, Muskegon Heights Alumnae, Mu Phi, Midland  
12 Alumnae, Lansing Alumnae, Lambda Pi, Kalamazoo Alumnae, Inkster  
13 Alumnae, Grand Rapids Alumnae, Flint Alumnae, Epsilon Epsilon,  
14 Detroit Alumnae, Delta Upsilon, Delta Psi, Delta Beta, Benton  
15 Harbor-St. Joe Alumnae, Battle Creek Alumnae, and Ann Arbor  
16 Alumnae. There more than 1,000 chapters located in the United  
17 States, England, Japan, Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, the  
18 Bahamas and South Korea; and

19 Whereas, On January 13, 2021, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
20 celebrated 108 years of thoughtful service to and conscientious  
21 leadership in communities throughout the United States and the  
22 world in diverse fields relating to public service and the  
23 organization's five-point programmatic thrust: economic  
24 development, educational development, international awareness and  
25 involvement, physical and mental health, and political awareness  
26 and involvement; now, therefore, be it

27 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
28 this legislative body declare January 13, 2021, as Delta Sigma  
29 Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Day in the state of Michigan. We

1 recognize the members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. for their  
2 outstanding service to the citizens of our state, our nation, and  
3 the international community, and for their promotion of sisterhood,  
4 scholarship, and service.