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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 192

Offered February 5, 2020

*Commending Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.*

Patrons—Lindsey, Adams, D.M., Bagby, Cole, M.L., Hayes, Hope, Jones, Reid, Samirah, Simonds and Ware; Senator: Spruill

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., an international, historically black Greek organization founded at Howard University, celebrates its 100th anniversary of service in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority was established on January 16, 1920, with the founding principles of Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood; and

WHEREAS, the members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority uphold the belief that social events should not overshadow the organization's mission to address societal mores, ills, and prejudices, as well as concerns about poverty and health in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is a community-conscious, goal-oriented organization that calls all members to action at local, state, and national levels; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority conducts its projects and services under the umbrella of Zetas Helping Other People Excel, a holistic, multidimensional outreach program designed to support women, men, youths, and seniors of color around the world, cultivate leadership, and empower participants to develop healthy lifestyle choices; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority seeks to mentor and empower girls between the ages of four and 18 through its Youth Affiliates program and to expand its capacity for service in partnership with Zeta Amicae; and

WHEREAS, Virginia is home to 41 undergraduate and graduate chapters of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, and the Honorable Yvonne B. Miller, the first African American woman elected to the Virginia House of Delegates, was a member of the Beta Theta Zeta Chapter; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for 100 years of dedication to uplifting communities throughout the Commonwealth and the world and promoting the values of Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood.

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