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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 18

Offered January 10, 2020

Commending the Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Patrons—Cole, J.G., Bourne, Scott, Carroll Foy, Cole, M.L., Filler-Corn, Fowler and Orrock

WHEREAS, for 35 years, the Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., has provided generous outreach and volunteer service to the residents of the Rappahannock region; and

WHEREAS, originally established in 1984, Omicron Alpha Lambda was officially chartered in 1985 as an alumni chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., the first intercollegiate Greek organization for African American men; and

WHEREAS, Omicron Alpha Lambda serves communities in the City of Fredericksburg and Caroline, King George, Spotsylvania, and Stafford Counties through mentorship programs and participation in service initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Omicron Alpha Lambda's Go-Getter-Goal-Getter (G4) program challenges participants to set and achieve life goals through educational and entertaining workshops, forums, and events; G4 coordinates with Alpha Phi Alpha's national Go-To-High-School, Go-To-College program to provide unique opportunities for boys and young men; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with Rites of Passage, Omicron Alpha Lambda hosts Project Alpha weekend events that provide education, motivation, and skill building on important adolescent issues to help participants become healthy, productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, Omicron Alpha Lambda maintains a longstanding relationship with the March of Dimes and has raised thousands of dollars to support research, advocacy, and programs to increase the health and wellness of mothers and babies; and

WHEREAS, members of Omicron Alpha Lambda have volunteered at the Brisben Center to cook and serve meals for the homeless and with the Adopt-a-Highway program to clean roads in the Fredericksburg area; members have supported holiday food basket drives at Zion Baptist Church and Toys for Tots at Loisann's Hope House; and

WHEREAS, Omicron Alpha Lambda strives to increase engagement with the electoral process through A Voteless People is a Hopeless People, a national program that hosts town hall meetings, candidate forums, and voter education sessions; and

WHEREAS, throughout its history, Omicron Alpha Lambda and its members have touched countless lives in the region and strengthened the community as a whole through these and a host of other programs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., hereby be commended on the occasion of its 35th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the chapter's legacy of service to the Rappahannock region.

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