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**Title:** To thank the members of the Alpha Rho Lambda Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated for their ongoing commitment to instilling character, responsibility, and leadership into the young men of this community through the Project Alpha program.

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To thank the members of the Alpha Rho Lambda Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated for their ongoing commitment to instilling character, responsibility, and leadership into the young men of this community through the Project Alpha program.

**WHEREAS**, Project Alpha began in 1980 as part of a collaborative effort between the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. National Office and the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project Alpha Program is comprised of a series of workshops and informational sessions conducted by the members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. - the program is designed to provide education, motivation and skill-building on issues relating to responsible relationships, teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases for young men ages 12-18 years of age - the program also provides young men with current and accurate information regarding teen pregnancy prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, the goals of the Project Alpha Program include: sharing knowledge and combating ignorance and fear with factual information; changing attitudes by providing young men with motivational examples that promote positive changes in sexual behavior; and provide young men with skills that create a sense of empowerment that lifts their self-esteem; and

**WHEREAS**, the program highlights include: providing education to young men regarding sexuality, fatherhood and the role of males in relationships; motivating young men to make decisions regarding their goals, values, and actions in ways that support positive decision making; helping young men to build life skills through role-playing and using appropriate males as role models and mentors; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project Alpha Curriculum focuses on five key topics: responsibility, respect and the role of men in relationships; adolescent pregnancy and fatherhood; teaching young men to protect themselves and their partners; sexually transmitted diseases; and intimate violence in relationships; and

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, the Alpha Rho Lambda Chapter will be conducting their annual “free” interactive education conference for Project Alpha on March 16, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Capital University in the Bridge of Learning Building; and

**WHEREAS**, this year the program is seeking to reach and educate 100 young men from Central Ohio - the Project Alpha 2019 Theme is “Learning to Live Your Truth” - with topics that include: Good Choices: Avoiding Substance Abuse; Healthy Relationships; Safe Sex & STI Prevention; Interaction with Law Enforcement: and Behavior vs. Rights - the program will consist of a host of professional speakers, presentations, small groups, fellowship, and giveaways as well as a continental breakfast and lunch that will be provided to those who attend, now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby thank the members of the Alpha Rho Lambda Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated for their ongoing commitment to instilling character, responsibility, and leadership into the young men of this community through the Project Alpha program.