

Legislation Text

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To honor the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Incorporated in recognition of its Centennial Celebration in 2014.

WHEREAS, the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity was founded on January 9, 1914 on the campus of Howard University in Washington D. C. by A. Langston Taylor, Leonard F. Morse, and Charles I. Brown; and

WHEREAS, Phi Beta Sigma has a century long commitment to service that is centered in the fraternity's three international programs; Bigger and Better Business, Education and Social Action; and

WHEREAS, for more than 60 years, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity has made manhood training for young boys a fraternity priority through its Sigma Beta Club with Its mission is to inspire young males to go to college and graduate; and

WHEREAS, for the past 40 years, Phi Beta Sigma has focused on the health and wellness of its communities through national partnerships with the March of Dimes, the American Cancer Society and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

WHEREAS, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity is steeped in scholastic, social advocacy and cultural traditions, having as members some of the most historical figures of the 20th Century's "social change" and cultural movements; and

WHEREAS, Phi Beta Sigma's commitment to families is strengthened through its relationship with its constitutionally bound relationship with their sisters, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority; and

WHEREAS, the Beta Omicron Sigma Chapter (Columbus Graduate) fosters a spirit of community by facilitating the African American Male Leadership Program, an academic, and social intensive that teaches responsibility to young men with the goal of becoming productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, the local chapter also promotes support in education by executing its annual school supply drive which provides needed book bags and supplies to hundreds of Central Ohio school children each year; and

WHEREAS, the Beta Omicron Sigma Graduate chapter for the City of Columbus and Delta Omicron Chapter at The Ohio State University continue this tradition of excellence through the example of the Fraternity's motto, "Culture for Service, and Service for Humanity"; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

That this Council does hereby recognize and honor the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Incorporated in Recognition of its Centennial Celebration in 2014.