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To honor and recognize the 110th Anniversary of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated and thank the Alpha Sigma Omega Chapter for its commitment to sisterhood, scholarship, and its service to the residents of Columbus and Central Ohio.

WHEREAS, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was founded on January 15, 1908 on the campus of Howard University as the first Greek Letter Organization organized by African-American Women; and

WHEREAS, some celebrated Alpha Kappa Alpha members include Coretta Scott King, Maya Angelou, Mae Jemison, and Eleanor Roosevelt; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha cultivates and encourages high scholastic and ethical standards through the promotion of unity and friendship among college women - maintaining a progressive interest in college life, and by serving mankind through a nucleus of more than 290,000 women in the United States, the Caribbean, Europe, and Africa; and

WHEREAS, over the past ten years, the local Alpha Sigma Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated has given thousands of dollars in college scholarships to deserving young women in Central Ohio based on academic performance, essay writing, and interviews; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha, since 1908, has maintained a steadfast focus to the lifelong personal and professional development of each of its members, it has also worked to galvanize its membership into an organization that is consistently at the forefront of effective advocacy and social change - ultimately resulting in equality and equity for each of the citizens of the world; and

WHEREAS, the Alpha Sigma Omega Chapter will celebrate this 110 years of service by Celebrating the Phenomenal Women who founded Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated with a Founders' Day Gala to be held on Saturday, January 27, 2018 at the Hilton Columbus at Easton located at 3900 Chagrin Drive Columbus, OH 43219; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby honor and recognize the 110th Anniversary of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated and thank the Alpha Sigma Omega Chapter for its commitment to sisterhood, scholarship, and its service to the residents of Columbus and Central Ohio.