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To honor, recognize and celebrate Rhonda Williams Evans on being a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated for 50 years.

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, in 1971, Rhonda, along with 26 other women, was initiated into Beta Psi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority at the Southern University, Baton Rouge Campus where she graduated with a B.A. and is an active member of the Southern University Alumni Association. Rhonda received her M.B.A. from Capital University and her J.D. from Concord Law School and;

WHEREAS, Rhonda is a very active member of her community having served on numerous boards including Franklin County Children's Services, N.A.A.C.P. Columbus Chapter, Blendon Meadows Civic Association and lifelong member of Shiloh Baptist Church 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, 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; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby honor and recognize and celebrate Rhonda Williams Evans on being a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated for 50 years and her commitment to sisterhood, and service to the residents of Columbus.