

Senate Resolution 875

By: Senators Davenport of the 44th, Mallow of the 2nd, Sims of the 12th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jones of the 10th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the Lambda Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. on the occasion
2 of its Centennial Celebration, 1924 to 2024; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. was founded at Howard University in
4 Washington, D.C., on January 9, 1914, by Hon. A. Langston Taylor, Hon. Leonard F. Morse,
5 and Hon. Charles I. Brown to organize a Greek letter fraternity that would be devoted to
6 inclusivity and exemplify the ideals of "Brotherhood, Scholarship, and Service"; and

7 WHEREAS, the fraternity's philosophy is mirrored in its motto, "Culture for Service and
8 Service for Humanity"; and

9 WHEREAS, today, the fraternity serves through a membership of more than 200,000 men
10 in over 700 chapters in the United States, Africa, Europe, Asia, and the Caribbean with a
11 membership that includes college-educated men of African, Caucasian, Hispanic, Native
12 American, and Asian descent; and

13 WHEREAS, the Lambda Sigma Chapter, Atlanta, Georgia, was founded by alumni members
14 of the Zeta Chapter of the Fraternity in 1924, and the Brothers of Lambda Sigma have

15 continually served as good stewards of the high ideals of Phi Beta Sigma set forth by the
16 honorable founders; and

17 WHEREAS, the Lambda Sigma Chapter, known as the "Chapter of Presidents," has
18 produced five International Presidents and dozens of officers on the International, Regional,
19 and State levels; the chapter has produced no less than ten members of the "Distinguished
20 Service Chapter," which is the fraternity's highest honor; and

21 WHEREAS, the Lambda Sigma Chapter continues to grow its legacy through programs
22 supporting the fraternity's national partners such as the American Cancer Society, The United
23 Negro College Fund, and the YMCA (Butler Street); and

24 WHEREAS, the men of the Lambda Sigma Chapter are committed to developing the leaders
25 of tomorrow by advising and mentoring through the collegiate chapters on the campuses of
26 the Georgia Institute of Technology, Georgia State University, and the University of West
27 Georgia; and

28 WHEREAS, under its Chapter Mission, the Brothers of Lambda Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta
29 Sigma Fraternity are committed to excellence and service to humanity, which is
30 accomplished by reaffirming and maintaining their strong commitment to the ideals of
31 Brotherhood, Scholarship, Service, and Fellowship; and

32 WHEREAS, the Lambda Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity will host its
33 Centennial Celebration on April 20, 2024; and

34 WHEREAS, this fundraising event will benefit the social and educational programs of the
35 chapter with the Blu Growth and Empowerment Society, a nonprofit organization which

36 supports education, advocacy, philanthropy, and social justice in the metropolitan Atlanta
37 area, having been selected as this year's Non-Profit Recipient; and

38 WHEREAS, more than 100 years since it was founded, Phi Beta Sigma has expanded into
39 an international organization of leaders with members who continue to excel in every field
40 of human endeavor; and

41 WHEREAS, the metropolitan Atlanta area, the State of Georgia, and communities around
42 the world have been greatly enriched by the many contributions of men who served from Phi
43 Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. and the Lambda Sigma Chapter, Atlanta, Georgia.

44 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
45 commend Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. and the men of the Lambda Sigma Chapter,
46 Atlanta, Georgia, for their over 100 years of dedication to excellence in education, social
47 action, and service to humanity as well as recognize the Lambda Sigma Chapter, Atlanta,
48 Georgia, on the grand occasion of its Centennial Celebration, 1924 to 2024.

49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
50 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Lambda Sigma
51 Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc.