

2017 Second Extraordinary Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3

BY SENATOR CLAITOR

SENATE. Commends the Sigma Chapter of Delta Zeta Sorority at LSU for 100 years of service and philanthropy to the Baton Rouge community and recognizes the weekend of September 22-24, 2017, as Pink and Green Weekend in Louisiana.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Sigma Chapter of Delta Zeta Sorority at Louisiana State University for one
3 hundred years of service and philanthropy to the Baton Rouge community and to
4 recognize the weekend of September 22-24, 2017, as Pink and Green Weekend in
5 Louisiana.

6 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend the Sigma Chapter of Delta Zeta at
7 Louisiana State University for its outstanding achievements in academics and extracurricular
8 activities as well as generous philanthropic and community service to the Baton Rouge
9 community since its founding on November 24, 1917; and

10 WHEREAS, Delta Zeta Sorority was founded on October 24, 1902, at Miami
11 University in Oxford, Ohio, when six courageous young women joined together to form a
12 social sorority with a vision of lifetime sisterhood fostered by ideals they cherished; and

13 WHEREAS, Delta Zeta was the first sorority to be founded at Miami University, and
14 the six founders laid a foundation for the sorority that would have a national reach; and

15 WHEREAS, Alfa Lloyd, Mary Collins, Anna Keen, Julia Bishop, Mabelle Minton,
16 and Anne Simmons bonded together as they faced the challenges of starting a sorority on a
17 male-dominated campus, as women had just been given full status as students at Miami
18 University, and met with Dr. Guy Potter Benton, president of the university, to make their

1 idea a reality; and

2 WHEREAS, Delta Zeta has enriched the lives of more than 247,000 alumnae and
3 collegiate members in the United States and Canada; and

4 WHEREAS, the Sigma Chapter of Delta Zeta was founded at Louisiana State
5 University (LSU) on November 24, 1917, and maintains a high standard of excellence within
6 its national organization and on the LSU campus; and

7 WHEREAS, by living the Delta Zeta creed every day which states, "To those whom
8 my life may touch in slight measure, may I give graciously of what is mine", Delta Zetas
9 share a common purpose: to make life fuller, more meaningful, and more rewarding and for
10 the sisterhood to realize the promise of friendship, personal development, and opportunity;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, the Sigma Chapter of Delta Zeta currently has more than three hundred
13 active members and a remarkably large alumnae base in Baton Rouge; and

14 WHEREAS, the Sigma Chapter continues to hold academics at a high level and hosts
15 regular chapter study events as well as new member study hours, and each April, members
16 participate in Academics April to master study skills and other methods of reaching
17 academic success; and

18 WHEREAS, members of the Sigma Chapter have graciously given of their time and
19 talents in the Baton Rouge community, volunteering for the Emerge Center and St. Lillian
20 Academy to enrich the lives of others; and

21 WHEREAS, the Sigma Chapter annually hosts the Miss LSU Pageant to raise funds
22 to support the Emerge Center and St. Lillian Academy in Baton Rouge, providing
23 scholarships to students in need; additionally, the pageant supports various Baton Rouge
24 nonprofits; and

25 WHEREAS, the Chapter has generously supported Alzheimer's Services of the
26 Capitol Area and the Baton Rouge Children's Advocacy Center, and on the national level,
27 the Sigma Chapter financially supports the Painted Turtle Camp and the Starkey Hearing
28 Foundation; and

29 WHEREAS, for ten decades, the Sigma Chapter of Delta Zeta has positively
30 impacted the Baton Rouge community through its support of valued organizations.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
2 does hereby commend the collegiate and alumnae women of the Sigma Chapter of Delta
3 Zeta for one hundred years of service and philanthropy to the Baton Rouge community and
4 does hereby recognize the weekend of September 22-24, 2017, as Pink and Green Weekend
5 in Louisiana.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
7 National Council of Delta Zeta Sorority, the Southern Regional Collegiate director, the
8 South Central Area Alumnae director, and the presidents of the Sigma Chapter and the Baton
9 Rouge Area DZ Alumnae Chapter.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

DIGEST

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