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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Council of Alpha Chapters of Alpha Phi
2 Alpha Fraternity is holding its 45th annual district convention
3 from February 5 to 8, 2009, in San Antonio; and

4 WHEREAS, Founded at Cornell University in 1906, Alpha Phi
5 Alpha was the first intercollegiate Greek fraternity for African
6 Americans; the fraternity has been interracial since 1945, and its
7 members have dedicated themselves to promoting brotherhood and
8 academic excellence, as well as to working to effect positive
9 change in their communities; and

10 WHEREAS, Over the course of its rich history, Alpha Phi Alpha
11 has had such illustrious members as W. E. B. DuBois, Paul Robeson,
12 Thurgood Marshall, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Andrew Young; and

13 WHEREAS, The fraternity's District of Texas includes 28
14 chapters at public and private colleges and universities and 28
15 graduate chapters in many Texas cities; and

16 WHEREAS, Hosted by the Delta Rho Lambda, Pi Theta Lambda,
17 Epsilon Sigma, and Tau Tau Chapters, the convention presents an
18 excellent opportunity for the members of Alpha Phi Alpha to come
19 together for inspiration and fellowship, allowing them to renew old
20 bonds and make new ones, and empowering them to return to their
21 communities in a spirit of hope and renewal; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
23 Legislature hereby honor the Texas members of Alpha Phi Alpha
24 Fraternity and extend to them sincere best wishes for a meaningful

1 and memorable event; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for the council as an expression of high regard by the
4 Texas House of Representatives.