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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Black History Month is taking place in February
2 2025, providing a fitting opportunity to recognize the Divine Nine
3 fraternities and sororities; and

4 WHEREAS, The group consists of the nine historically African
5 American fraternities and sororities that make up the National
6 Pan-Hellenic Council, which includes Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity,
7 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Omega Psi
8 Phi Fraternity, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Phi Beta Sigma
9 Fraternity, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, and
10 Iota Phi Theta Fraternity; and

11 WHEREAS, The Divine Nine boast a rich history of academic
12 excellence and community service and they have played an
13 instrumental role in shaping generations of leaders; the
14 organizations support their members in a wide range of academic,
15 professional, and civic endeavors, and over the years, they have
16 helped to strengthen communities and address societal challenges
17 both locally and globally; and

18 WHEREAS, Many members of the fraternities and sororities have
19 excelled in the fields of politics, education, arts, and
20 entertainment, and they have used their platforms to advocate for
21 social justice and equality; moreover, the Divine Nine have
22 collectively raised millions of dollars for educational
23 scholarships and initiatives that help underserved communities;
24 and

1 WHEREAS, The Divine Nine have worked to foster brotherhoods
2 and sisterhoods of concerned citizens who devote themselves to the
3 greater good, and their members may indeed reflect with pride on
4 their noteworthy tradition of activism and achievement; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
7 Legislature hereby honor the Divine Nine fraternities and
8 sororities on the occasion of Black History Month and extend to all
9 those affiliated with the organizations sincere best wishes for the
10 future; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the Divine Nine as an expression of high regard by the
13 Texas House of Representatives.