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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Joliet Area/South Suburban Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., has received a Disney Hand Minnie Grant; and

WHEREAS, The Sorority was one of 75 winners chosen from over 400 applicants from across the nation; the grant is administered by Youth Service America and funded by Disney, and is used to underwrite youth service projects for National Youth Service Day; and

WHEREAS, The young ladies who participate in Delta Academy (middle school) and My D.E.S.T.I.N.Y. (high school) will visit Jones Memorial Community Center in Chicago Heights on Saturday, April 16, 2005; and

WHEREAS, They will participate in literacy and arts activities with 150 students from grades Pre-K thru Sixth; the girls, along with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., members and other volunteers will read stories to students and will also help them create their own stories; a parent workshop for approximately 50 parents will also occur that day; this project addresses the importance of literacy and the arts for disadvantaged families in the Chicago Heights community; and

WHEREAS, The goals of National Youth Service Day are to mobilize youths as leaders to identify and address the needs of their communities through service and service-learning, to support youth on a lifelong path of service and civic engagement, and to educate the public, the media, and policymakers about the year-round contributions of young people as community leaders; therefore, be it

29 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 30 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

- 1 we recognize National Youth Service Day by encouraging youth to
- 2 participate in civic and community service projects and commend
- 3 the volunteer efforts of the young ladies in Delta Academy, My
- 4 D.E.S.T.I.N.Y., and the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; we
- 5 support these efforts as an investment in the future of our
- 6 State and the nation; and be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- 8 presented to the young ladies in Delta Academy, My
- 9 D.E.S.T.I.N.Y., and the Joliet Area/South Suburban Alumnae
- 10 Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. as an
- 11 expression of our admiration.