



City of Winston-Salem

Proclamation

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

WHEREAS: Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is a private, not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to foster public service, scholarship and sisterhood; and

WHEREAS: it was founded on January 13, 1913 by 22 collegiate women at Howard University in Washington, D.C. and was incorporated in 1930; and

WHEREAS: in 1939 the Alpha Nu Sigma Chapter was chartered; and in 1959 the name was changed to the Winston-Salem Alumnae Chapter; and

WHEREAS: the City has one undergraduate chapter: the Pi Omicron Chapter at Wake Forest University; and

WHEREAS: the major programs of the sorority are centered on the organization's Five Point Programmatic Thrust:

1. Economic Development
2. Educational Development
3. International Awareness and Involvement
4. Physical and Mental Health
5. Political Awareness and Involvement; and

WHEREAS: members of the Sorority are active in local, state and national politics; and the group has won numerous awards on all levels; and

WHEREAS: chapter highlights include: Donations (Financial and In-Kind) to Community Non-Profits: partnerships with community organizations to bring awareness about issues affecting our city, state and nation; monetary donations to H.O.P.E. of Winston-Salem, SECU Family House; Parenting Path, Amos Cottage, Best Choice Center of the YWCA, Eliza's Helping Hands, Family Services, Mental Health Association, Chase's Chance, Delta Research and Educational Foundation (DREF), American Heart Association, I Can Fly School for World AIDS Day, Feed the Hunger, Amani Foundation and Kalimoni Mission Hospital in Kenya, Positive Wellness Alliance Food Pantry and donated coats. Donated KN95 masks to Anderson Community Center. Provided programs/events such as Delta Academy/ Delta G.E.M.S. (Growing and Empowering Myself Successfully), Domestic Violence Seminar; World AIDS Day program; Partnered with Mount Tabor United Methodist Church to share the NC Green Book Exhibit; Trauma, Mental Health and Law Enforcement forum; Investments, Wills and Estates webinar co-hosted with the Greensboro Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. Provided Scholarships, and book donations to the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School system.

WHEREAS: annually the Sorority celebrates the events, programs and progress of the previous year; and 2022 marks the 83rd celebration of the Winston-Salem Alumnae Chapter.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. ALLEN JOINES, Mayor of the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim Monday, May 16, 2022 as

DELTA SIGMA THETA DAY

Given under my hand and seal this 16th day of May, 2022.

J. ALLEN JOINES

Mayor