

 Proclamation of Welcome & Recognition  
to  
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated

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**WHEREAS**, the Caddo Parish Commission is pleased to acknowledge events of significance that occur in the community, and to recognize the organizations and individuals who are now and for a long time have been in the forefront of positive and worthy activities and deeds that accrue to the benefit of all; and

**WHEREAS**, such an organization is the outstanding ladies of **Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated**, will be hosting their 85<sup>th</sup> South Central Regional Conference in Shreveport, Louisiana; and

**WHEREAS**, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated was founded on the Campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C. in 1908, making Alpha Kappa Alpha the oldest Greek-letter organization established by African American college-trained women, who trail blazed changing patterns of human relations in America during the 20<sup>th</sup> Century; and

**WHEREAS**, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's mission is to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards; promote unity and friendship among college women; study and help alleviate issues concerning women in order to improve their stature; to maintain a progressive interest in college life and to be of "Service to All Mankind"; and

**WHEREAS**, as the sorority has maintained its focus in two key areas: the importance of individual and professional development of its members, and the constant need for assistance at the forefront of effective advocacy and social change that results in equality for all citizens; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Caddo Parish Commission in legal session convened, that it does hereby welcome and recognize March 16-19, 2017 as:

**“Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Weekend”**

in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, entreating all citizens of the Parish to join in applauding this observance and in welcoming and honoring Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and its members.

**ATTEST:**

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Steven Jackson  
President

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Doug Dominick  
Vice President

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Todd A. Hopkins  
Commission Clerk

