

2017 First Extraordinary Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8

BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Mia Gaines upon becoming a member of the 2016-2017 coterie of debutantes presented by the Nu Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Mia Geneice Gaines upon becoming a member of the 2016-2017 coterie of
3 debutantes presented by the Nu Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha
4 Sorority, Incorporated.

5 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend Miss Mia Geneice Gaines upon being
6 selected to join the 2016-2017 coterie of debutantes presented by the Nu Gamma Omega
7 Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated; and

8 WHEREAS, founded at Howard University in Washington, D.C., in 1908, Alpha
9 Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated has the distinction of being the first sorority established
10 by African-American college women; and

11 WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha's mission is to cultivate and encourage high
12 scholastic and ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among college women, to
13 study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their
14 social stature, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of "Service to All
15 Mankind"; and

16 WHEREAS, on February 16, 1980, the Nu Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa
17 Alpha Sorority, Incorporated was chartered as the second alumnae chapter in the Baton
18 Rouge Metropolitan area; and

19 WHEREAS, the chapter, through its annual sponsorship of the coterie of debutantes,
20 is able to introduce worthy young ladies into society, provide scholarships for academic

1 achievers, and uphold the sorority's mission to raise the status of African-American girls and
2 women; and

3 WHEREAS, Miss Mia Geneice Gaines has been selected for the distinguished honor
4 of joining the 2016-2017 coterie of debutantes presented by Nu Gamma Omega; and

5 WHEREAS, Miss Gaines is the beloved granddaughter of Geneva Jordan, the late
6 Lionel James, the late Margie Gaines, and the late Henry Gaines; and

7 WHEREAS, Miss Gaines is a senior at Dutchtown High School in Geismar,
8 Louisiana, where she maintains an impressive 3.28 GPA; and

9 WHEREAS, she is a member of the Dutchtown High School track and field team,
10 vocal ensemble, thespians, and Honor Society; she also serves as a youth intern at Healing
11 Place Church; and

12 WHEREAS, upon graduation, Miss Gaines plans to attend Louisiana State University
13 where she will pursue a degree in Performing Arts; and

14 WHEREAS, the success of the state of Louisiana, the strength of our communities,
15 and the overall vitality of American society depend upon the dedication and talents of young
16 people like Miss Gaines; and

17 WHEREAS, Miss Gaines merits a special measure of commendation for the pride
18 and honor she brings to her family, friends, community, and to the state of Louisiana.

19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
20 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Miss Mia Geneice Gaines upon joining the
21 2016-2017 coterie of debutantes presented by the Nu Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha
22 Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated; does hereby recognize and record for posterity her
23 outstanding achievements and singular contributions; and does hereby extend to her best
24 wishes for continued success and happiness in her future endeavors.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
26 to Mia Geneice Gaines.

DIGEST

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