

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 16

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER

A RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, April 14, 2026, as Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated, Day at the capitol.

WHEREAS, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated, was founded on November 12, 1922, on the campus of Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana, by seven visionary educators who established an organization grounded in the principles of sisterhood, scholarship, and service; and

WHEREAS, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority is an international, nonprofit organization with more than one hundred thousand members and over five hundred chapters globally that serve communities across the United States and internationally; and

WHEREAS, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority chapters and members are actively involved in their local communities through participation in national sorority programs, including Operation Big Book Bag, Youth Symposium, Women's Wellness, Swim 1922, and Project Cradle Care, which address critical issues impacting youth, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS, in addition to these national initiatives, chapters across the state of Louisiana participate in and lead local programs and community partnerships that provide mentorship, scholarships, health education, service opportunities, and resources that support individuals and families within their communities; and

WHEREAS, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority encourages its members to activate their leadership and voices through civic engagement and legislative advocacy and promotes informed participation in the democratic process to advance policies that strengthen families and communities; and

WHEREAS, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority members from across Louisiana are visiting the Louisiana State Capitol to engage with state leaders and policymakers and to highlight legislative priorities that advance civic engagement, education reform and equity, women and children's health equity and safety, and economic empowerment for families and communities across the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the sorority's motto, "Greater Service, Greater Progress," reflects its enduring dedication to uplifting communities and advancing opportunities for current and future generations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Tuesday, April 14, 2026, as Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated, Day at the capitol and does hereby commend the members of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated, for their historic legacy of service, leadership, and advocacy on behalf of the citizens of this state.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES