



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **HONORING THE THETA OMEGA CHAPTER OF ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED® ON ITS CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® was chartered in Chicago, Illinois on November 5, 1922, as the eighth graduate chapter by six visionary and dedicated women: Clara Vesta Caldwell, Ida Taylor Jones, Bertha Mosely Lewis, Eva Overton Lewis, Geraldyn Hodges Major and Helen Kathleen Perry; and

**WHEREAS**, these six exceptional women set Theta Omega's standard for excellence and brought prestige and prominence to the newly chartered chapter through their own individual and group participation in education, career, community and cultural pursuits; and

**WHEREAS**, for the past 100 years, members of the Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha have continued in this tradition, honoring the legacy of the women who came before them by prioritizing and strengthening programming in education, health, economic development, the arts and politics; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 14, 1981, Theta Omega established the AKArama Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit entity to further extend Alpha Kappa Alpha's reach within the community through volunteerism, collaboration, and programs that bolster the economic, educational, cultural and health of communities; and

**WHEREAS**, AKArama's signature programs include Student And Family Empowerment/Ascending Young Pearls, a program designed to provide support to students and families in Woodlawn, as well as a legal clinic, which provides free legal assistance to residents in need; and

**WHEREAS**, Theta Omega is proud to carry on Alpha Kappa Alpha's mission to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among college women, to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature, to maintain a progressive interest in college life, and to be of "Service to All Mankind."

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President, a proud member of Theta Omega, and members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, honor the Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® on its Centennial celebration and 100 years of "Sisterhood and Service"; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body.