

# *PROCLAMATION*

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated had its humble beginnings as the vision of nine college students on the campus of Howard University on January 15, 1908; and

WHEREAS, since then this first female African American Greek letter sorority has flourished into a globally-impactful organization of over 283,000 college-trained members, bound by the bonds of sisterhood and empowered by a commitment to servant-leadership; and

WHEREAS, this organization of professional excellence is committed to developing its members, instilling in them common values and traditions, and inspiring them to seek opportunities to actively contribute to our community and this nation; and

WHEREAS, this day we honor the sorority's continued bright future and remember its history made by women unified in their great vision, bold in leadership, and strategically galvanized to exercise respected power and influence toward equality and equity for all; and

WHEREAS, the noble sorority Alpha Kappa Alpha, Incorporated is celebrating its 108-year anniversary during this year; and

WHEREAS, in honor of that anniversary, we are immensely proud to recognize the sorority's members for the numerous ways they lend their talents to enrich and enhance the fabric of our city.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor of the great City of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, do hereby proclaim February 20, 2016, as a citywide celebration of

## **Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Founders Day**

and encourage all residents to extend best wishes and gratitude to members within the organization for their lasting years of service.

DATED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February 2016.

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Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky