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AKA DAY at the Capitol in Mississippi

Hundreds of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Members to Promote a Legislative Agenda about Maternal Health, Suicide Prevention, and Black Youth Mental Health

Jackson, MS -- Women from across the state of Mississippi will soon gather at the capitol in Jackson to advocate for a legislative agenda focused on the need for increased funding to support suicide prevention programs, maternal and physical health programs, and mental health services for Black youth. Hosted by the South Eastern Region of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, AKA Day at the Capitol will feature subject-matter experts and breakout sessions about advocacy efforts. Meetings begin March 21, 2023, at 8 am in Room 216 at the Capitol Building in Jackson, Mississippi.

“We look forward to advancing our Sorority’s advocacy agenda to bring awareness to critical issues impacting our families and communities,” said South Eastern Regional Director Tracey Morant Adams. “The issues we are highlighting reflect our continuing posture of social action in the South Eastern Region.”

The event will also feature a luncheon and panel discussion featuring Dr. Joyce Marion, licensed clinical psychologist; Dr. David Marion, licensed clinical psychologist; Dr. Natasha Hardeman, Ob-Gyn; and Mississippi State Senator Derrick Simmons. The luncheon begins at noon at Two Mississippi Museums in Jackson.

The event theme “Soaring in Advocacy: The Power of Us at the Capitol” is modeled after the platform established by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated’s International President and CEO Danette Anthony Reed. Within the South Eastern Region of AKA, advocacy days are also scheduled at the state capitols in Montgomery (AL) and Nashville (TN). This will be the group’s first gathering at the Mississippi State Capitol since the global pandemic.

About Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®

Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA) Sorority, Incorporated® is an international service organization that was founded at Howard University in Washington, D.C. in 1908. It is the oldest Greek letter organization established by and for African American college-educated women. AKA is comprised of over 300,000 members in 1,061 graduate and undergraduate chapters in the United States, Liberia, the Bahamas, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Germany, South Korea, Bermuda, Japan, Canada, South Africa, and the Middle East.

About South Eastern Region of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®

The South Eastern Region (SER) of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is one of 10 regions. It is composed of three states: Tennessee, Mississippi, and Alabama. The region is led by South Eastern Regional Director Tracey Morant Adams. Within the region, there are approximately 116 undergraduate and graduate chapters serving over 14,000 members. Annually, the members perform service projects to enhance and improve the quality of life for individuals, families and communities.

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