## **Resolution Honoring Loann J. Honesty King**

WHEREAS, Soror Loann J. Honesty King was initiated in Beta Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., in Chicago IL, in 1959 and has been an active financial member since the day of her initiation. Executive Committee, Archives, Auditing, and Budget and Finance Committees; and

WHEREAS, Her record of sorority service and leadership is extensive. She has served as Central Region Historian since 2011; served as Basileus of both Beta and Theta Omega chapters; was elected, as an undergraduate, to the National Nominating Committee; served as Supreme Tamiouchos (1976-1980); was an Incorporator and the first Treasurer (1980-1982) of the Educational Advancement Foundation; was a consultant to the Corporate Office; chaired the National Finance Committee and National Economic Development Sub-Committee; chaired the sorority's first Economic Development Conference; served as the 21st Central Regional Director (1986-1990); and served as the Centennial International Program Committee Chairman (2006-2010); and

**WHEREAS,** Following her tenure as the 21st Central Regional Director, she authored the 1st Edition of *The History of Central Region—Pledged to Remember* in 1997, and in 2006 authored an extension of that work in a second edition and a third edition in 2014. The fourth edition of the history was published this year (2024) an extension of those works. In 2015, she was commissioned to write *Philanthropy in Perpetuity – A History of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Educational Advancement Foundation, Inc.* for the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of EAF; and

**WHEREAS,** Soror King reaches the milestone of Pearl Soror this year, 2024, and is a life member, a charter member of the Heritage Club, a member of the Capital Improvement Project (CIP), a member of the Loraine Green Club, and a charter life contributor to the Educational Advancement Foundation; and

**WHEREAS,** In recognition of her outstanding service, Soror King was the recipient of the sorority's highest honor for sorors—the *Founders' Graduate Service Award*—at the Centennial Boule in 2008. In 2022 at the 88th (2022) Central Regional Conference, the Loann J. Honesty King EAF Endowment was capitalized; and

**WHEREAS,** Soror King's volunteer and community service has not been limited to the sorority. She has received many notable recognitions and awards for her community and professional service; and

**THEREFORE, Be It resolved,** That the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City do hereby recognize Loann J. Honesty King on reaching the Pearl Membership Milestone (65 years) of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® - Theta Omega Chapter; and

**Be It Further Resolved** That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to Soror Loann J. Honesty King.

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