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Senate Resolution No. 2187

BY: Senator BRESLIN

COMMENDING the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Albany, New York Alumnae Chapter upon the occasion of celebrating its 50th Anniversary on June 17, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations within the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Albany, New York Alumnae Chapter upon the occasion of its 50th Anniversary to be celebrated at a Luncheon on Saturday, June 17, 2017, at the Renaissance Hotel in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1913, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is the single largest predominately African-American, college educated women's organization in the world, and is dedicated to providing assistance and support through established programs in local communities; and

WHEREAS, On June 17, 1967, 13 Delta women residing in Albany, New York, formed the Albany, New York Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta

Sorority, Inc. to serve those who were not being served in the Capital District; and

WHEREAS, The Albany, New York Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is dedicated to serving the African-American community through numerous youth programs including Delta Pearls, the Dr. Betty Shabazz Academy, and the Delta GEMS; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this vital society promotes various cultural, artistic and scholastic endeavors within the Capital District such as its annual Black History Month Creative Expressions Contest, Biennial Debutante Cotillion and scholarship program which are reflective of the positive images it strives to promote throughout its programming efforts; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Albany, New York Alumnae Chapter is in direct correlation to the efforts of its President, Mitzi Glenn Stewart, and its members, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the sorority and the population it serves; and

WHEREAS, In light of its commitment, dedication, and successful efforts, it is the practice of this Legislative Body to extend its highest commendation to the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Albany, New York Alumnae Chapter; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Albany, New York Alumnae Chapter upon the occasion of celebrating its 50th Anniversary on June 17, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mitzi Glenn Stewart, President, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Albany, New York Alumnae Chapter.