## CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE



## Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® Eta Phi Omega Chapter 60th Anniversary Recognition

**WHEREAS** Eta Phi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated <sup>®</sup>, was established on the principle of Service to All Mankind 60 years ago on February 10, 1963, by 13 college-educated ladies in the local area; and

WHEREAS the Eta Phi Omega Chapter is one of over 1000 chapters of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, an international service organization founded in 1908 on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C., and which is the oldest Greek-letter organization established by African American college-educated women, and which is comprised of more than 355,000 members in graduate and undergraduate chapters in 12 countries including the United States, Bahamas, Bermuda, Canada, Dubai, Germany, Japan, Liberia, Nigeria, South Korea, South Africa, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, and which is often called "America's premier Greek-letter organization for African American women"; and

WHEREAS Eta Phi Omega Chapter supports higher education scholastics, providing scholarships annually to six high school graduates in pursuit of a college education; and

WHEREAS Eta Phi Omega Chapter over the years has contributed to and supported many local non-profits and initiatives such as backpacks and snack packs for students, coat drives, over 2000 pairs of shoes to the Salvation Army, Alumni Burley School fund, The American Heart Association, volunteering at JABA, the Thanksgiving Turkey give-away, and the Alzheimer's Association walk, just to name a few;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Charlottesville City Council hereby takes great pleasure in recognizing the Eta Phi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® upon its 60<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Celebration, May 6, 2023, paying tribute to its Charter Members for their efforts and foresight in establishing this organization in our city and surrounding communities.

Signed and sealed this 1st day of May 2023.

J. Lloyd Snook, III, Mayor
Attest:
Kyna Thomas, Clerk of Council