



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Collins recognizes that Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, is the first international Sorority organized by African American women in 1908 on the campus of Howard University in Washington D.C.; and

WHEREAS, the women of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated support its purpose to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, to promote unity and friendship among college women, to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women, to promote a progressive interest in college life and to be of service to all mankind; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Collins is proud of the many contributions made to businesses, community organizations, schools, colleges and universities, and the legal and political communities by Alpha Kappa Alpha women; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Cluster celebrates local and national members who have made significant contributions over the years to the arts, education, medicine, politics, business, the military, science, and the community: Marie Greenwood, Cleo Parker Robinson, Florida Pitt-Waller, Eleanor Roosevelt, Marian Anderson, Mae Jemison, Maya Angelou, Coretta Scott King, Rosa Parks, Jada Pinkett Smith, Ella Fitzgerald, and many more; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Collins chapter at Colorado State University is known as the Xi Eta Chapter and has 7 members participating in its activities; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate that the City of Fort Collins, on behalf of our citizens, join the Colorado Cluster and the member so Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated in celebrating Alpha Kappa Alpha and the vision of the founders whose motto "Service to Mankind" has resonated through our communities 100 years later.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Doug Hutchinson, Mayor of the City of Fort Collins, do hereby proclaim March 8, 2008 as

"ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA DAY"

to celebrate its centennial anniversary as the "100 Years of Extraordinary Service to all Mankind" Founders Day celebration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Fort Collins this 4th day of March, A.D. 2008.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk