## In Recognition 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated

Requested by Commissioner Bobby B. DuBose

- WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., was established on January 13, 1913 at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and is the largest predominately African-American, college educated, woman's organization in the world; and
- WHEREAS, this historic sorority was founded by twenty-two collegiate women who wanted to use their collective strength to promote academic excellence, and to provide assistance to persons in need; and
- **WHEREAS,** the first public act performed by the Delta Founders involved their participation in the Women's Suffrage March in Washington, D.C., in March 1913; and
- WHEREAS, today, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., has more than 250,000 members and more than 900 chapters around the nation, including the Broward County Alumnae Chapter chartered in December 1955; and
- **WHEREAS,** the major programs of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority are based on the organization's Five Point Programmatic Thrust: economic development, international awareness, political involvement, physical and mental health and educational initiatives; and
- WHEREAS, Delta women have been recognized national and internationally as leaders in politics, education, management, social sciences, health and medicine, science, law, engineering, architecture, the performing arts, public administration, media, literature and more; and
- WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta, Inc., has immeasurably enriched the lives of its members and has contributed to the greater good of communities across this nation, just as its founders envisioned a century ago; and
- WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission applauds and honors Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., on the occasion of its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and do commend its members and the members of the Broward County Alumnae Chapter for a century of sisterhood, scholarship and service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE**, as City Commissioners of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, do hereby proclaim **January 13, 2013** as:

## Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Day

in the City of Fort Lauderdale and do extend to its members our sincere best wishes for a year of successful and memorable celebrations.

**DATED this**, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 2013.



John P. "Jack" Seiler Mayor