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Greetings from the President...

Welcome to Delta Lambda Chapter!

In honor of and in homage to our beloved Seven Jewels, I greet you on behalf of the more than 150 brothers who comprise this historic chapter. Serving for 98 years, I am honored for the privilege my brothers have afforded me to lead Alpha's 25th house.

Nearing a century of holding high the tenets of our remarkable fraternity, Delta Lambda stands on the shoulders of some of the most accomplished and committed African American men in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area. Our members have imposed an indelible legacy in this community across the array of medicine, government, religion, education, business, technology, sports, science, art, music, entertainment and politics. Additionally, our membership has included more college and university presidents than any other chapter in Alpha history.

During our 1919 founding, the brothers whose visionary leadership gave birth to Delta Lambda were confronted with the nation's bleak challenges that included 76 African Americans being lynched and more than 25 race riots. Nevertheless, they knew the significance of enabling Baltimore's landscape with resolved to make a difference. Over nine decades, our members have enriched Baltimore consistently through our national programs, developed other public service initiatives and residing consistently in the urban center to facilitate our work and programs in the community.

Our current home, The Delta Lambda Family Outreach Center, was acquired in 2005 and includes among our tenants a Head Start/Daycare program, Agape House Ministries to under-served citizens, and as a venue for public and private events. For nearly 15 years, our Beautillion Scholars programs has garnered and awarded nearly \$500K in scholarships for college bound males. We participate in numerous charitable programs to support homeless shelters, group homes, local schools, cultural programs and collaborations with local HBCU's. Each fall, we sponsor a free annual choral concert of the Community Concert Choir of Baltimore, Inc., attracting standing room only attendance and yielding generous financial support for educational activities.

We are proud to be a host chapter of the **111th Anniversary/93rd General Convention, July 12 through July 19 at the Baltimore Convention Center**. Please join us for the most exciting week of events and remarkable activities for brothers, families, friends and this community. Please see the link on this site for more information.

Summarily, we endeavor tirelessly because the need is great; and yet there is much more to do. To that end, Delta Lambda is compelled to do its best to live up to the honor that may warrant it being Alpha's finest chapter.

In noble service,

Dr. Marco K. Merrick, President

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