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Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated Charleston Alumnae Chapter GET OUT THE VOTE – Mid-Term Elections 2014

(Charleston, SC) – In March of 1913, nearly six weeks after its founding, several Delta Sigma Theta Founders marched in the historic Suffragist March under the Delta Sigma Theta Banner, this was chronicled as the Sorority's first public act. Today, low voter turnout statistics highlight the need to continue to identify ways to include opportunities for all citizens to exercise their voting power.

Under the auspices of the National Social Action Commission, The Charleston Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta continues to institute programs that advocate reauthorization of the Voting Rights Act, the repeal of voter disenfranchisement law and the full restoration of voting rights for individuals who have paid their debt to society.

Throughout the month of September, the Charleston Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta will engage in a series of events through the City of Charleston and surrounding counties.

<u>September 13, 2014 – hours 10:00 am – 2 pm</u>. In partnership with Morris Street Baptist Church (www.morrisstreetbaptist.org) sponsoring a **Get out the Vote Rally**. In celebration of 150 years of Ministry and Service to the community, Morris Street Baptist Church will engage support from the Board of Elections and the League of Women Voters to Register Voters; take Voter Photo ID, Absentee Voting, and Address Verification. A community forum from noon – 1:00 pm will provide for panel discussions on topics such as Expungement, Voting as a Civil Right, Voting Advocacy, Getting out on Election Day.

<u>September 20, 2014</u> –Members of the Charleston Chapter will be on hand at each of the Regional Libraries and the John R. Dart Library to Register, Inform and Educate voters on how to use the voting machines and share information to assist on Election

Throughout the month of September. The Charleston Alumnae Chapter will be joining forces with area Delta Chapters, The Links Incorporated of Charleston, and other Sororities in the area to engage in a focused effort to register voters in Charleston County High Schools and all local Colleges and Technical Colleges