



# Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated

*A Service Sorority Founded in 1913*

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“Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted.” ~Matthew 5:4

My Dear Sorors,

It is with profound sadness that I must inform you of the passing of our beloved 14th National President and civil rights icon Frankie Muse Freeman, Esq.

At 101 years old, Past National President Freeman transitioned yesterday, January 12, 2018, surrounded by loved ones.

While the date January 12<sup>th</sup> will always be remembered as day of unmatched sorrow in Delta Sigma Theta Sorority with the loss of two of our treasured leaders, this season in Delta’s life also gives us a greater determination to use our Founders Day as a time to recommit ourselves to what Sorors Freeman and Bailey fought so hard to preserve for future generations of Deltas.

I will share details about the plans for Soror Freeman’s Omega Omega Ceremony and funeral as they become available.

Yours in the Bond of Sisterhood,

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