

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE **CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: JANUARY 19, 2011**

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:

RECOGNITION OF THE KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY INC. CENTENNIAL

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN BARLOW recognized Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., in celebration of its centennial. He called forward POLEMARCH ANTHONY MARENTIC, President of the Las Vegas Alumni, and BRYSON REDD, President of Theta Sigma Undergraduate Program at University of Nevada Las Vegas.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW commented that Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity was created on the Campus of Indiana University in 1911 with the fundamental purpose of achievement and to assist African-Americans being dissuaded from attending college. The founders sought a formula that would immediately raise the vision and insight of black collegians at Indiana University and all over the world. Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity has continued to provide leadership in every field of human endeavor. Its objectives are to unite college men of color, patriotism and honor in a bond of fraternity, encourage honorable achievements, a pure service in public interests, promote the spiritual, social, intellectual and moral welfare of its members and assist the aims and purposes of colleges and universities.

In February 1964, five aspiring Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity brothers gathered in Las Vegas at the home of Kermit R. Booker Senior with the aim to put the fraternity on the map. The Las Vegas Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi was made official September 1964.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW thanked Kappa Alpha Psi for its participation in various Ward 5 events and asked that all residents participate in celebrating the 100th year anniversary of this Fraternity.

MR. MARENTIC accepted the trophy and called forward some of the brothers from the Theta Sigma Chapter and the Las Vegas Alumni Chapter. MR. MARENTIC thanked the Council for taking the time for this recognition and for helping the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity celebrate this occasion.