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**Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Convention partners with Virginia Peninsula Foodbank**

*Convention includes a public fireside chat*

**HAMPTON, VA** - The [91st Annual Eastern Convention of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.](#) will convene at the Hampton Roads Convention Center on April 12 to April 16. Attendees from across the fraternity's Eastern Region (AlphaEast) will conduct the regional business of the organization, engage in leadership training workshops and administer a local service project with the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank. The region comprises seven districts that includes 11 states and international areas. The theme of this year's convention is "The True Spirit of Fraternity."

On Thursday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m., the convention will include a fireside chat that is free and open to the public. The chat will include AlphaEast leadership who will discuss the state of the convention and the fraternity.

The AlphaEast service project in partnership with the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank will be held on Wednesday, April 12 at 12 p.m. The goal of the project is to address food insecurity and food access by assisting with the distribution of much needed food supplies. Over 250 meal packages will be prepared for the local Hampton area.

"We're delighted to continue our legacy of servitude in Hampton," said Brother Christopher Ellis, Eastern Region Vice President, AlphaEast. "Members of AlphaEast in the local area have maintained our motto of 'leading the way' by serving this community through educational opportunities, food drives, and encouraging academic excellence and leadership."

The Hampton Roads Convention Center is located at 1610 Coliseum Drive.

***About Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated:***

The Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland, was founded on December 4, 1906, at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. The Fraternity has long stood at the forefront of the African-American community's fight for civil rights through Alpha men such as Martin Luther King, Jr., Adam Clayton Powell, Thurgood Marshall, Paul Robeson, Andrew Young, Edward Brooke and Cornel West. The fraternity, through its more

than 720 college and alumni chapters and general-organization members, serves communities in the United States, Africa, Europe, Asia, and the Caribbean.

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Partially bordered by the Hampton Roads harbor and Chesapeake Bay, Hampton, with the 344,000 sq. ft. Hampton Roads Convention Center and the award-winning Hampton Coliseum, is located in the center of Coastal Virginia and the Hampton Roads metropolitan area. Hampton is the site of America's first continuous English-speaking settlement, the site of the first arrival of Africans in English North America, and is home to such visitor attractions as the Virginia Air & Space Science Center, Fort Monroe National Monument, Hampton History Museum, Hampton University Museum, The American Theatre, among others.