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**ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY RESPONDS TO
TRAGIC DEATH OF MICHAEL BROWN**



Chicago, Illinois – August 13, 2014 - Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., (AKA) today expressed concern over the fatal shooting of Missouri teenager Michael Brown and extended condolences to his family and friends who mourn his tragic death.

Speaking on behalf of the Sorority's 265,000 members worldwide, International President Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson called for a swift and thorough investigation into the circumstances surrounding the shooting.

“The members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. are disturbed by the fatal shooting of Michael Brown,” Buckhanan Wilson said. “Our prayers go out to his family.”

Although the facts in the case have not been determined, Buckhanan Wilson said the shooting of yet another unarmed African-American teenager by a law enforcement officer is heart breaking. “We are senselessly losing too many of our young men – our sons, brothers and fathers – in their prime.”

President Buckhanan Wilson said she was encouraged that the U.S. Justice Department and FBI are investigating along with local officials. Buckhanan Wilson urged the Ferguson, Missouri community and supporters to remain calm amid their grief and await the outcome of the probes.

Buckhanan Wilson said Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, with a massive network of members in 986 local chapters worldwide, plans to monitor the investigation and will remain vigilant to ensure that justice is served. She offered the Sorority's support to Michael Brown's family.

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