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Howard County Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated Donates School Supplies to Local Elementary School

Columbia, MD - August 22, 2011 - The Zeta Alpha Sigma Chapter, Inc. of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated presented the backpacks and school supplies it collected during its recent drive to Bryant Woods Elementary School earlier this morning. Over the summer, Zeta Alpha Sigma collected just over sixty backpacks and the required school supplies with an approximate retail value of \$2,000 to promote its ideal of scholarship and to help families in need.

The Zeta Alpha Sigma Chapter introduced this new initiative to deepen and build upon the relationship it started with the elementary school last year. The chapter received support from the Lambda Gamma Zeta Chapter of their sister organization, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated as well as support from general public, which even included donations from people living outside of Maryland.

The Zeta Alpha Sigma Chapter has been proudly serving the Howard County area since 1976 and looks forward to introducing new programs in the near future to build even deeper relationships with the Howard County community. "Phi Beta Sigma recognizes young people are our future. It is to that end that we are dedicated to the education of our youth," said Rogers Barnes, President of the Zeta Alpha Sigma Chapter, Inc.

About Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated:

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated was founded at Howard University in Washington, D.C., January 9, 1914, by three young African-American male students. The founders, Honorable A. Langston Taylor, Honorable Leonard F. Morse, and Honorable Charles I. Brown, wanted to organize a Greek letter fraternity that would truly exemplify the ideals of brotherhood, scholarship, and service.

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