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Making Noise in **Pink** and **Green**

Alpha Kappa Alpha sisters ended a weeklong celebration of their sorority's centennial by marching to the Capitol for better education, health care and employment, particularly for African Americans.



A selection from the Greek Unity Choir opens the rally on the west front.

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Sorority leaders said 30,000 people from nine predominantly black sororities and fraternities attended Thursday's march.

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Crystal Cotten Faison, left, and fellow sorority sister Audrey Bennett find a shady spot.

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Danielle Madison Tatum, 8 months, protects herself from the sun with an Alpha Kappa Alpha pink and green hat.

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Mary Ann Harris leads her sisters in spirited chants as the group marches down Pennsylvania Avenue.

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The march was part of the weeklong centennial convention. Alpha Kappa Alpha is the nation's oldest African American sorority.

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With temperatures in the mid-90s, some women wore AKA-emblazoned visors and carried umbrellas as a shield against the sun.

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