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## KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY'S TRENTON ALUMNI CHAPTER HOSTS ANNUAL 'KAPPABOTICS' RACE DAY TO SHOWCASE YOUTH STEAM TALENT

Trenton Students to Test Robotic Creations at Competitive Race Day on November 22, 2024

**Trenton, NJ** – The Trenton Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. invites the Trenton community and surrounding areas to join in celebrating *Kappabotics Race Day* on **November 22, 2024, at 6:30 PM**. Local businesses, organizations, youth groups, and families are encouraged to attend this exciting event. *Kappabotics Race Day* marks the conclusion of a 10-week STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics) program in which students from the Trenton Housing Authority build and race their own robotic cars. Held annually, *Kappabotics* continues to inspire and empower young people through hands-on learning, mentorship, and exposure to STEM fields.

Race Day will take place at Trenton Housing Authority Community Center Gymnasium, where students will showcase the skills and knowledge they've gained over the program by racing their custom-built robotic cars on a track designed by the brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. The event is open to the public and promises an evening of excitement, friendly competition, and community celebration. Friends, family, and local residents are encouraged to attend and support the future engineers and innovators of Trenton.

#### A Legacy of Service and Leadership: Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., founded on January 5, 1911, at Indiana University, has long been a leader in community outreach and youth development. The fraternity's motto, *Achievement in Every Field of Human Endeavor*, drives its commitment to empowering African American communities through educational initiatives, leadership training, and health awareness. For decades, Kappa Alpha Psi has created programs aimed at nurturing young minds and promoting opportunities in underrepresented fields like STEAM.

The Trenton Alumni Chapter has been deeply involved in this mission, regularly leading impactful programs for youth in Mercer County. From educational workshops to mentoring and leadership training, the chapter continues to build a legacy of service and empowerment. *Kappabotics* stands as a key initiative, blending the fraternity's commitment to education with the growing demand for STEAM proficiency in today's world.

**Kappabotics: A Pathway to STEAM Excellence** 

Now in its 10th year, *Kappabotics* has become a staple of the Trenton Alumni Chapter's outreach efforts. Each week, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Wednesdays, students from the Trenton Housing Authority gather to build their robotic cars from the ground up, learning about mechanical design, coding, and teamwork. Through the program, participants gain not only technical skills but also critical thinking, collaboration, and leadership experience.

Throughout the 10-week program, students receive mentorship from both Kappa Alpha Psi members and local STEAM professionals, exposing them to potential careers in science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics. The hands-on approach allows students to apply classroom knowledge in a real-world context, while the collaborative environment fosters teamwork and a sense of achievement.

#### The Grand Finale: Race Day

The highlight of the program is the upcoming *Kappabotics Race Day*, where students will put their skills to the test. Each team will race their custom-built robotic cars on a track designed by brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., competing for top honors. This event not only celebrates the hard work and creativity of the students, but also aims to engage the broader Mercer County community in supporting youth education.

"We are excited to invite the community to this year's *Kappabotics Race Day*," said Allen Killiebrew, Trenton Guide Right Director. "These students have worked incredibly hard, and we can't wait to see them take pride in their accomplishments. It's a celebration of their dedication to STEAM learning and their bright futures ahead."

### Call to Action: Attend Race Day on November 22

The Trenton Alumni Chapter encourages families, local businesses, and community leaders to come out and support the young participants at the *Kappabotics Race Day*. This event is a powerful demonstration of how STEAM education can transform lives and open doors to future opportunities. By attending, Mercer County residents can show their commitment to fostering youth achievement and building a stronger, more innovative future for Trenton.

The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be available, and there will be opportunities to learn more about how to get involved with future Kappabotics programs and other community outreach initiatives hosted by the Trenton Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

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#### About Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. was founded on January 5, 1911, at Indiana University and is dedicated to the principles of achievement through every field of human endeavor. With over 150,000 members worldwide, the fraternity is committed to uplifting communities through educational programs, mentoring, leadership training, and service initiatives.