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3 By Representative Hall
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8 HONORING ARTHUR J. BOND, PH.D., FORMER DEAN OF THE
9 SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY AT ALABAMA A AND M
10 UNIVERSITY.
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12 WHEREAS, commendations and congratulations are
13 herein extended to Arthur J. Bond, Ph.D., former Dean of the
14 School of Engineering and Technology at Alabama A and M
15 University; and

16 WHEREAS, the School of Engineering and Technology
17 facility at AAMU has been named in honor of Dr. Bond in
18 well-deserved recognition of his outstanding achievements,
19 most notably his distinguished service to the university and
20 the pivotal role he played in founding the National Society of
21 Black Engineers (NSBE); and

22 WHEREAS, during his tenure at AAMU, Dr. Bond was a
23 tireless activist in the cause of increasing Black enrollment
24 and retention in engineering and technology; in addition, he
25 was an integral part of the team that fought successfully for
26 the required level of state funding; and

1 WHEREAS, a veteran who served in the United States
2 Army, he earned the Bachelor of Science in Electrical
3 Engineering Degree, Master of Science in Electrical
4 Engineering Degree, and Doctor of Philosophy Degree, all at
5 Purdue University, where he was an active student leader and
6 helped found the NSBE in 1975; and

7 WHEREAS, upon receiving his doctorate, he taught at
8 Purdue prior to working in industry for RCA, AlliedSignal, and
9 Bendix; in 1989, Dr. Bond joined Tuskegee University as head
10 of the Department of Electrical Engineering, serving with
11 great effectiveness, and he accepted the position of Dean of
12 Engineering and Technology at AAMU in 1992; and

13 WHEREAS, his honors and recognitions include:
14 Minorities in Engineering Award, American Society for
15 Engineering Education, 1994; Golden Torch Award for Academic
16 Visionary, National Society of Black Engineers, 2000;
17 Outstanding Electrical and Computer Engineer, Purdue
18 University, 2000; and Doctor of Engineering (Honoris Causa),
19 Purdue University, 2009; and

20 WHEREAS, through the years, Dr. Bond has earned
21 respect for his exceptional abilities and tireless dedication
22 in pursuit of excellence and equality of funding for
23 engineering education for Black students; he is truly
24 deserving of the significant honor bestowed upon him by AAMU;
25 now therefore,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
27 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That with admiration and

1 appreciation, we commend Arthur J. Bond, Ph.D., former Dean of
2 the School of Engineering and Technology at Alabama A and M
3 University, and this resolution is offered to him with
4 heartiest congratulations upon having the School of
5 Engineering and Technology facility named in his honor.