



Huntsville, Alabama

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Department: City Council

Subject:

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Resolution Celebrating Alabama A&M University's Historic 150-Year Legacy of Leadership and Service

Resolution No.

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City Cost Amount: N/A

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District: District 1 ☐ District 2 ☐ District 3 ☐ District 4 ☐ District 5 ☐

Additional Comments:

N/A

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WHEREAS, the City Council and the Mayor of Huntsville, Alabama, wish to recognize and honor Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University “Alabama A&M” for 150 years of academic excellence, transformative leadership, strengthening the Huntsville and Madison County community, and cultivating future generations of leaders; and

WHEREAS, Alabama A&M, founded in 1875 by visionary educator, Dr. William Hooper Councill, has served as a beacon of higher learning and opportunity for generations of students in Alabama and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Alabama A&M was established under the Second Morrill Act of 1890 as a land-grant institution, providing critical access to education in agriculture, mechanical arts, and the sciences, while fostering innovation, scholarship, and leadership among African American students during an era of limited opportunity; and

WHEREAS, for 150 years, Alabama A&M University has upheld its guiding principle, “**Service is Sovereignty**,” emphasizing service to others as a source of strength and nobility, and preparing students to become leaders, problem-solvers, and engaged citizens who advance their communities, the state of Alabama, and the nation; and

WHEREAS, Alabama A&M stands today as a thriving institution of higher education with world-class programs in engineering, education, business, agriculture, the sciences, and the arts, while continuing to uphold its historic commitment to access, excellence, and service; and

WHEREAS, the university’s legacy is carried forth by its distinguished alumni, accomplished faculty, and dedicated students who exemplify Bulldog pride and uphold the rich traditions of the institution; and

WHEREAS, the year 2025 marks the 150th anniversary of Alabama A&M University, a milestone that reflects not only the enduring vision of its founder but also the resilience and achievements of generations who have been shaped by its halls.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council and the Mayor of Huntsville hereby congratulate Alabama A&M on its 150th Anniversary, commend its historic and ongoing contributions to education, leadership, and community impact, and extend best wishes for a memorable celebration and continued success in shaping future generations of leaders.

ADOPTED this the ____ day of ____, 2025.

President of the City Council of the
City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the ____ day of ____, 2025.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama