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House Resolution

A resolution honoring the memory of Charles Sampson Bing,
Sr.

WHEREAS, Charles Sampson Bing, Sr., associate director of
bands for Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University at the
time of his death on June 26, 2005, joined the faculty of the
university's music department in 1960 and thereafter devoted his
outstanding musical and teaching talents to the institution, and

WHEREAS, Charles Bing received a bachelor's degree in music
education from FAMU, earned a master's degree in music education
from Indiana University, and did further study at the University
of Illinois, all the while garnering honors such as the
"Outstanding Bandsman Award," which he received in each of his
sophomore, junior, and senior years as an undergraduate student
at FAMU, and

WHEREAS, affectionately referred to as "Prof. Bing" by both
students and faculty of the university, Charles Bing was known
for his exceptional musical ability, his attention to detail,
and his insistence on perfection, both musically and
academically; respected for his dignity, humility, and
extraordinary work ethic; and loved for his compassionate
interest in those with whom he came in contact, and

WHEREAS, Professor Bing served in numerous capacities
during his tenure at the university, but he was most noted for
directing the Marching and Symphonic Bands and the ROTC and
University Pop Bands and was unsurpassed in his skills in

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28 | formulating, and demanding perfection in the rendition of, the
29 | Marching 100's precise formations, and

30 | WHEREAS, Charles Bing, during his distinguished career, was
31 | the recipient of countless awards; was named FAMU Teacher of the
32 | Year in 1993; and was one of the first recipients of the State
33 | of Florida Teacher Incentive Program Award; but by far his most
34 | cherished honor was the Charles S. Bing Scholarship for
35 | Outstanding Musicianship established at FAMU in 2004, and

36 | WHEREAS, although proudly claimed by FAMU as its very own,
37 | Professor Bing belonged to the music world of the entire
38 | southern United States, where he served as a guest conductor on
39 | numerous occasions, as adjudicator and clinician for many
40 | competitions, and as guest trombonist and consultant throughout
41 | the area, NOW, THEREFORE,

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43 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
44 | Florida:

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46 | That the late Charles Sampson Bing, Sr., Florida
47 | Agricultural and Mechanical University's associate director of
48 | bands and beloved "Prof. Bing," is hereby honored and remembered
49 | with genuine warmth and utmost pride and respect.

50 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
51 | presented to Mrs. Betty Bing, widow of the late Charles S. Bing,
52 | Sr., as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.