

By Senator Lawson

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1 Senate Resolution
2 A resolution recognizing March 21, 2007, as
3 "FAMU Day" in Tallahassee.
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5 WHEREAS, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University
6 (FAMU) was founded in 1887, named a land-grant institution in
7 1891, and designated a university in 1953, and
8 WHEREAS, FAMU is a 4-year, historically black
9 university offering undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral
10 programs, which seeks qualified students from all racial,
11 ethnic, religious, and national groups, and
12 WHEREAS, for more than 120 years FAMU has provided
13 immeasurable educational opportunities that have enhanced the
14 quality of life for young men and women, and
15 WHEREAS, in 2006, FAMU was named the No. 1 College for
16 African Americans by Black Enterprise, and today more
17 African-American students earn their bachelor's degrees at
18 FAMU than at any other American university, and
19 WHEREAS, the University encompasses 13 colleges and
20 schools and two institutes: Arts and Sciences; Education;
21 Engineering Sciences, Technology and Agriculture; Pharmacy and
22 Pharmaceutical Sciences; Engineering; Allied Health Sciences;
23 Architecture; Business and Industry; General Studies;
24 Journalism and Graphic Communication; Nursing; Law; Graduate
25 Studies and Research; Environmental Sciences Institute; and
26 the Institute of Public Health, and
27 WHEREAS, FAMU is the top producer of African-American
28 Ph.D's in physics and the top producer of black pharmacists in
29 the nation, and
30 WHEREAS, the FAMU faculty has secured more than 300
31 active grants and contracts from federal, state, and private

1 sources, representing research, community service, and
2 scholarly projects, and

3 WHEREAS, FAMU operates the only research center in
4 Florida for the study of plasmas and plasma technology, and

5 WHEREAS, in November 2006, FAMU captured its sixth
6 consecutive Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Volleyball
7 Championship title, and, in December 2006, FAMU High School
8 won the 1B State Football Championship, and

9 WHEREAS, on February 4, 2007, Florida A&M University's
10 Marching "100" band performed in Super Bowl XLI in Miami
11 Florida, NOW, THEREFORE,

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13 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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15 That the Florida Senate recognizes March 21, 2007, as
16 "FAMU Day" in Tallahassee, in recognition of Florida
17 Agricultural and Mechanical University's contributions as an
18 outstanding institution of higher education.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,
20 with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to Dr.
21 Castell Vaughn Bryant, Interim President of Florida
22 Agricultural and Mechanical University, as a tangible token of
23 the sentiments of the Florida Senate.

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