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1 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. _____
1 2 BY BERRY, ABDUL-SAMAD, ALONS, ANDERSON, ARNOLD,
1 3 BAILEY, BAUDLER, BELL, BOAL, BUKTA, CHAMBERS, CLUTE,
1 4 COHOON, DANDEKAR, DAVITT, DE BOEF, DEYOE, DOLECHECK,
1 5 DRAKE, FOEGE, FORD, FORRISTALL, FREVERT, GASKILL,
1 6 GAYMAN, GIPP, GRANZOW, GRASSLEY, GREINER, HEATON,
1 7 HEDDENS, HOFFMAN, HORBACH, HUNTER, HUSEMAN, HUSER,
1 8 JACOBS, JACOBY, JOCHUM, KAUFMANN, KELLEY, KRESSIG,
1 9 KUHN, LENSING, LUKAN, LYKAM, MASCHER, MAY, McCARTHY,
1 10 MERTZ, H. MILLER, L. MILLER, MURPHY, OLDSO, N,
1 11 D. OLSON, R. OLSON, S. OLSON, T. OLSON, PALMER,
1 12 PAULSEN, PETERSEN, PETTENGILL, QUIRK, RAECKER, RANTS,
1 13 RASMUSSEN, RAYHONS, REASONER, REICHERT, ROBERTS,
1 14 SANDS, SCHICKEL, SCHUELLER, SHOMSHOR, SMITH,
1 15 SODERBERG, STAED, STRUYK, SWAIM, D. TAYLOR, T. TAYLOR,
1 16 THOMAS, TJEPKES, TOMENGA, TYMESON, UPMEYER,
1 17 VAN ENGELNHOVEN, VAN FOSSEN, WATTS, WENDT, WENTHE,
1 18 WESSEL-KROESCHELL, WHITAKER, WHITEAD, WIENCEK,
1 19 WINCKLER, WINDSCHITL, WISE, and WORTHAN
1 20 A Resolution to honor the life and work of George
1 21 Washington Carver.
1 22 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this
1 23 legislative body should honor those Iowans who
1 24 performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm during
1 25 their years of public service; and
1 26 WHEREAS, the life and work of George Washington
1 27 Carver is both an American success story and an Iowa
1 28 success story; and
1 29 WHEREAS, in 1890 Mr. Carver enrolled at Simpson
1 30 College, in Indianola, Iowa, intending to study piano
2 1 and art; and
2 2 WHEREAS, in 1891 he transferred to Iowa State
2 3 College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts (Iowa State
2 4 University) in Ames, Iowa, graduating in 1894; and
2 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Carver then joined the faculty at Iowa
2 6 State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts (Iowa
2 7 State University), earning a master of agriculture
2 8 degree in 1896; and
2 9 WHEREAS, in the following year Booker T. Washington
2 10 invited Mr. Carver to teach at the Tuskegee Institute,
2 11 which was founded in 1881 by Mr. Washington to provide
2 12 a college education for African-Americans; and
2 13 WHEREAS, Mr. Carver served as the Director of
2 14 Agriculture at the Tuskegee Institute, and served on
2 15 the faculty until his death in 1943; and
2 16 WHEREAS, during his tenure at the Tuskegee
2 17 Institute, Mr. Carver developed his crop-rotation
2 18 method, which revolutionized southern agriculture, and
2 19 invented over three hundred uses for peanuts, hundreds
2 20 more uses for soybeans, pecans, and sweet potatoes,
2 21 and many other inventions; and
2 22 WHEREAS, on April 16, 2007, the Fourth Annual
2 23 Hoover-Wallace Dinner will celebrate the humanitarian
2 24 heritage of George Washington Carver; and
2 25 WHEREAS, to further honor his life, work, and
2 26 heritage, the George Washington Carver Endowed Chair
2 27 will be established at Iowa State University of
2 28 Science and Technology; and
2 29 WHEREAS, the best testament to Mr. Carver's life is
2 30 on his tombstone, which reads "He could have added
3 1 fortune to fame, but caring for neither, he found
3 2 happiness and honor in being helpful to the world";
3 3 NOW THEREFORE,
3 4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
3 5 That the House of Representatives honors the life, the
3 6 work, and the spirit of George Washington Carver and
3 7 urges all Iowans to learn from this great man the
3 8 lessons of education, dedication, and public service.
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