

ENGROSSED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 19

By: Monson, Adelson, Aldridge,
Anderson, Barrington, Bass,
Branan, Brogdon, Cain,
Capps, Coates, Coffee,
Corn, Crain, Crutchfield,
Easley, Eason McIntyre,
Fisher, Ford, Garrison,
Gumm, Harrison, Hobson,
Johnson, Jolley, Justice,
Kerr, Lamb, Laster,
Laughlin, Lawler, Leftwich,
Lerblance, Mazzei, Morgan,
Myers, Nichols, Paddack,
Pruitt, Rabon, Reynolds,
Riley, Shurden, Taylor,
Wilcoxson, Williamson,
Wilson and Wyrick of the
Senate

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Toure of the House

A Concurrent Resolution commending Dr. Ernest Holloway; wishing him the best upon the occasion of his retirement as President of Langston University; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Ernest Leon Holloway was born on September 12, 1930, in Boley, Oklahoma. He graduated from Boley High School in 1948 and continued his education at Langston University where he received a bachelor's degree in Vocational Agriculture Education in 1952. Dr. Holloway received his master's degree from Oklahoma State University in 1955 in Science Education, and his doctorate from the University of Oklahoma in 1970 in Higher Education Administration. Dr. Holloway has also done additional study at the University of California at Berkeley and Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway began his educational career as a science teacher and later principal at Boley High School. In 1963, he was employed at Langston University where he served as an Assistant Professor of Biology, Assistant Registrar, Registrar, Dean

for Student Affairs, Professor of Education, Vice President for Administration, Acting President, Interim President, and finally in 1979, President, a position he has held for a quarter of a century; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway is a member of professional organizations including the Commission on Adult Learning and Education Credentials of the American Council on Education, USDA/1890 Task Force, National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Council of Presidents, Council of Oklahoma Colleges and Universities Presidents, Council of 1890 Presidents, Food and Agricultural Council for the State of Oklahoma, and the National Alliance of Black School Educators; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway served on the Board of Trustees for the National 4-H Council, Presidents Council for the Red River Athletic Conference, and the Oklahoma Small Business Development Consortium Advisory Board. He is an honorary board member for the Central Oklahoma Human Rights Alliance. Dr. Holloway was appointed to President Bush's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway has many civic affiliations, including the Guthrie Chamber of Commerce, the Lions Club, NTU Art Association of Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Academy, and a Life Member of the Langston University National Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway is a member of several fraternal organizations, including: Life Membership in Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.; Prince Hall Masons; Imperial Council of Shriners; Northwestern Consistory #84; United Supreme Council, A.A.S.R., 33rd degree; and Phi Delta Kappa; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway was inducted into the Oklahoma Afro-American Hall of Fame (1987), the Oklahoma Educators Hall of Fame (1996), the Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of Fame (1999), and

the Oklahoma State University Alumni Association's Hall of Fame (2001); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway was commemorated by former classmates with a star named in his honor and was honored with the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund Education Leadership Award, the highest honor bestowed upon a sitting president of a public historically black college or university by the Board of Directors of the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund. He has also received their Award of Excellence which recognizes "professional and civil excellence"; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway is the recipient of more than 200 awards and citations and maintains memberships in professional and civic organizations on the local, state, national, and international levels; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway is widely credited with saving Langston University in 1978 when it appeared that the school would be closed. Through the years the school has moved from an agricultural base to one of liberal arts while retaining its agricultural roots. It is internationally known for its goat research program studying how other countries can promote raising goats. Langston University's most recent accomplishment is winning accreditation for the state's first and only doctor of philosophy program in physical therapy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ernest Holloway has worked for Langston University for 40 years, the last 25 as President. Dr. Holloway has indicated his intent to retire as President of Langston University but has voiced his willingness to stay on an additional year as President Emeritus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes, commends, and honors the educational career of Dr. Ernest Holloway who has aptly demonstrated leadership, dedication, and commitment to Langston University.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature thanks Dr. Ernest Holloway for his many contributions to education and wishes him the very best upon the occasion of his retirement as President of Langston University, confident that he will successfully continue his outstanding work as President Emeritus of that institution.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Dr. Ernest Holloway and the Board of Regents of A&M Colleges.

Adopted by the Senate the 27th day of May, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2005.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives