

104<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# S. RES. 99

Commending the 125th anniversary of Allen University, and for other purposes.

---

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 3 (legislative day, MARCH 27), 1995

Mr. THURMOND (for himself and Mr. HOLLINGS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

---

## **RESOLUTION**

Commending the 125th anniversary of Allen University, and for other purposes.

Whereas Allen University in Columbia, South Carolina, is in the midst of a year-long celebration of the 125th anniversary of the University;

Whereas Allen University has produced local and national leaders who have served communities and the United States in an exemplary way;

Whereas the late Bishop John Mifflin Brown and the people of the Columbia Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church had the vision to establish a school for the education of newly freed slaves in 1870 in Cokesbury, South Carolina, naming the school for the predecessor to Bishop Brown, Bishop Daniel Alexander Payne, and appointing Professor J.W. Morris as president;

Whereas Bishop William F. Dickerson led a successful effort to relocate the school to Columbia, South Carolina, and rename the school in 1880 for Bishop Richard Allen, the founder of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, while the Reverend James C. Waters assumed the presidency;

Whereas the University has a long tradition of producing clergy and lay leadership for the African Methodist Episcopal Church;

Whereas the University has produced numerous scholars, attorneys, physicians, teachers, and business and governmental leaders, and other professionals who have risen to positions of notoriety in the African-American community as a whole;

Whereas Doctor Margaret Dixon is an exemplary Allen University Alumnae who has recently been elected as president of American Association of Retired People;

Whereas the University has endured all the difficulties familiar to historically black colleges and universities;

Whereas the University, with an historic campus, is an accredited member institution of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools;

Whereas the University, under the present leadership of Bishop John Hurst Adams and President David T. Shannon, is equipped to serve non-traditional students and others who would otherwise not have the opportunity for a college education, as well as remaining faithful to the traditional goals of the University of clergy and leadership education; and

Whereas the University still strives to live up to the motto of the University, which is "Heads to Think, Hands to Work, and Hearts to Love": Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That Congress—

2               (1) commends Allen University for 125 years of  
3 progress, commitment, and dedication in the shaping  
4 of productive lives; and

5               (2) extends best wishes to Allen University and  
6 hopes that the University will have a productive fu-  
7 ture that continues the accomplishments of the past.

○