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H. R. 3038

To provide for the design, construction, furnishing, and equipping of a Center for Historically Black Heritage within Florida A&M University.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 13, 1997

Mr. BOYD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. CONSTRUCTION OF A CENTER FOR REGIONAL**
4 **BLACK CULTURE.**

5 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
6 ings:

7 (1) Currently 500,000 historically important ar-
8 tifacts of the Civil War era and the early days of the
9 civil rights movement in the Southeast region of the

1 United States are housed at Florida A&M Univer-
2 sity.

3 (2) To preserve this large repository of African-
4 American history and artifacts it is appropriate that
5 the Federal Government share in the cost of con-
6 struction of this national repository for culture and
7 history.

8 (b) DEFINITION.—In this section:

9 (1) CENTER.—The term “Center” means the
10 Center for Historically Black Heritage at Florida
11 A&M University.

12 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
13 the Secretary of Interior acting through the Director
14 of the National Park Service.

15 (c) CONSTRUCTION OF CENTER.—The Secretary may
16 award a grant to the State of Florida to pay for the Fed-
17 eral share of the cost, design, construction, furnishing,
18 and equipping of the Center at Florida A&M University.

19 (d) GRANT REQUIREMENTS.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—In order to receive a grant
21 awarded under subsection (c), Florida A&M Univer-
22 sity, shall submit to the Secretary a proposal.

23 (2) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share de-
24 scribed in subsection (c) shall be 50 percent.

1 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATION.—There is
2 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Interior
3 to carry out this section a total of \$3,800,000 for fiscal
4 year 1998 and any succeeding fiscal years. Funds appro-
5 priated pursuant to the authority of the preceding sen-
6 tence shall remain available until expended.

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