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HR_____ HONORING MR. ROBERT JAMES RICHARDSON AT THE ROSETTA JAMES FOUNDATION'S 20TH ANNUAL "HONORING OUR ELDERS DAY" GALA.

WHEREAS, with great joy and special pleasure, we honor Mr. Robert James Richardson as the special guest at the Rosetta James Foundation's 20th Annual "Honoring Our Elders Day" Gala at the Jackson Center in Huntsville, Alabama, on Saturday, March 14, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richardson is a graduate of Alabama A&M University and Pennsylvania State University; he began his career as a mathematics teacher and band director, strengthening music programs and student engagement; he later worked as a computer programmer supporting NASA projects before returning to education; he became the first full-time Computer Center Director for Alabama A&M University, modernizing campus computing systems; and

WHEREAS, in 1982, Mr. Richardson co-founded Science and Technology, Incorporated, now SCITEK, growing the company from three employees to 235 across multiple states; in 1997, he became Executive Director of the nonprofit Harris Home for Children, leading its financial and operational revival; under his leadership, the organization achieved the stability and growth necessary to carry out its mission into the future; and



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29 WHEREAS, Mr. Richardson is active in numerous civic
30 organizations and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated;
31 he also serves as a church leader and volunteer advocate; he
32 is a devoted husband to Dr. Bernice Richardson and father
33 and grandfather; his life reflects excellence in education,
34 technology, entrepreneurship, and service; and

35 WHEREAS, the mission of the Rosetta James Foundation
36 is to honor the wisdom, service, and dedication of our
37 cherished senior citizens; the "Honoring Our Elders Day"
38 Gala is a heartfelt tribute to community and civic
39 volunteers 70 years of age and above who have dedicated
40 their lives to uplifting others and fostering positive
41 change; these remarkable individuals exemplify the very
42 spirit of compassion, leadership, and service that inspires
43 us all; and

44 WHEREAS, this annual celebration not only shines a
45 spotlight on these distinguished elders but also serves as a
46 platform to invest in the next generation of agents for
47 change; through the generous support of its attendees and
48 donors, the Gala raises vital funds to provide scholarships
49 for deserving students who embody the principles of
50 volunteerism, academic excellence, and civic engagement;
51 these outstanding students will also be recognized during
52 the event, connecting their bright futures to the enduring
53 legacies of those who came before them; and

54 WHEREAS, this year's Gala will be held at noon on
55 Saturday, March 14, at the Jackson Center; the extraordinary
56 contributions of our elders will be honored while future



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57 leaders will be empowered to continue building a legacy of
58 service and excellence; now therefore,

59 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
60 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Mr. Robert James Richardson
61 will be highly honored on an unforgettable afternoon filled
62 with inspiration, celebration, and community, and we
63 endeavor to continue uplifting and investing in those who
64 make a difference, both today and tomorrow.