

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-621**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised that the Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University (AAMU) Athletic Hall of Fame will hold its 22<sup>nd</sup> Induction Ceremony and Banquet on September 6, 2013, at the Ernest Knight Reception Center on AAMU campus at 7:00 p.m.; and,

**WHEREAS, Larry Cornelius Addison**, a native of Montgomery, Alabama, played the position of wide receiver for the Bulldogs from 1980-84. Addison, affectionately known as "Mr. Excitement," was All-Conference in 1983 (flanker), All-Conference 1984 (split end), Outstanding Offensive Player, Recipient of Miller High Life Most Valuable Player in 1984, Outstanding Offensive Player in 1984, SIAC Coors Player of the Week Program \$1,000 scholarship in the name of Larry C. Addison, Alabama A&M University. Addison received his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management. Post AAMU, Addison was drafted with the Arizona Outlaws of the USFL but accepted a position with the Dallas Cowboys in 1985. He resides in Montgomery, Alabama, and is currently employed with the State of Alabama; and.

**WHEREAS, Caroline Nwajei Adeniji**, a native of Nigeria, is widely recognized for her accomplishments at AAMU in Track and Field. She received honors as three-time All-SIAC championship 1988-1990 in 100m, 200m, 4x100m relay and long jump, along with earning the Most Outstanding Performer in 1988 and 1989. She is the recipient of the Outstanding Achievement Award, Most Outstanding Female Athlete and the Most Outstanding Freshmen Award. Caroline set an indoor track record at the annual NCAA Division II Mason-Dixon Games in 1990 in Louisville, Ky., receiving gold and silver medals for the 55-meter dash. Adeniji earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education. Currently, she serves as the athletic director, head coach, and physical education instructor for Hope Academy in Detroit, Michigan; and.

**WHEREAS, Curtis Robert Harris** is a native of Daphne, Alabama, and played football for AAMU from 1966 to 1970 for legendary Coach Louis Crews. Harris, also known as "Big Bruiser," received All-Conference Offensive Guard Second Team (1969) and All-Conference Offensive Guard First Team (1970). He was Tri-Captain of the football team in 1969-1970. Harris was noted by the 100% Wrong Club, which is the highest honor that represents the best players First Team All-Conference of the SIAC. Presently, he is retired and resides near his home of Daphne, Alabama; and,

**WHEREAS, Cornelius J. Hill, Jr.**, known as "Buttons," was All-Conference basketball player from 1977-79. Hill was named Outstanding Male Athlete, 1977-79; Team Captain, 1977-79; one of the top 10 scorers in the school's history; and he led team assists in 1978-79 and free throws from 1977-79. Hill received his Bachelor of Science degree in Urban Studies. He pastors the World Christian Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana; and,

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**WHEREAS, Carlos Mathews**, a native and resident of Huntsville, Ala., excelled at AAMU in track and field during 1992-95 in the long jump and the 100 meters. He received All-SIAC honors three out of the four years he competed. The only long jumper to qualify for the NCAA Division II National Championship, Mathews moved into the University's Top 10 All-Time performances list. He was the only male athlete to be part of four consecutive conference team titles. Mathews held the number two All-Time Performance in the indoor long jump, number five All-Time Performance in the outdoor long jump and in the Top 10 Performances in the 100 meters. As of 2012, Mathews still holds the Top 10 performances in the long jump and 100 meters. Mathews received his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering Technology from AAMU and currently works as a software engineer with Future Research Corporation; and,

**WHEREAS, Nathaniel A. Ogedegbe** was recruited from Nigeria to join AAMU's men's soccer program from 1981-85 seasons, starting at midfield position. He served as co-captain in 1983-84 and captain in 1984-85. In 1984, Ogedegbe was named as one of the 10 Most Valuable Soccer Players in America. He was a key contributor and brought excitement to a soccer program that was ranked #1 in the nation with an 18-1 record going into the playoffs. He received the Most Valuable Player (1983 & 1984), earned a Silver Medal NCAA (1981), NCAA All-American (1983), and was selected to the Senior Bowl in Tampa, Florida. (1984). Ogedegbe resides in Leesburg, Virginia; and,

**WHEREAS, Kim Woodberry** received a four-year athletic scholarship to AAMU. She was a member of the Lady Seadogs Swim Team during 1982-85. Woodberry made the Black College All-American List and was awarded the Most Outstanding Swimmer in 1982. She was named Academic Swimmer in 1983 and 1984. She held numerous Black College National Collegiate records in the breaststroke, medley relay, freestyle and backstroke. In 1984-85 seasons, Woodberry was named co-captain. A Chicago native, she resides in Huntsville, Alabama, and works for the U.S. Army Contracting Command at Redstone Arsenal.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, gratefully acknowledge and congratulate the Alabama A&M University Athletic Hall of Fame "Class of 2013 Inductees," and extend best wishes for continued success and health.

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**ADOPTED** this the 22nd day of August, 2013.

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President of the City Council of the  
City of Huntsville, Alabama

**APPROVED** this the 22nd day of August, 2013.

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Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama