

House Resolution 1908

By: Representative Herring of the 145<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Akbar Muhammad; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Akbar Muhammad is a dedicated and passionate historian and consultant on  
3 international affairs in Africa and the Middle East; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Dr. Muhammad dedicates his time speaking and encouraging others to travel,  
5 work, and do business in Africa; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he is the founder of Youth4Africa Foundation, a non-profit organization based  
7 on the belief that young Blacks in the diaspora are due a personal journey “back to africa”  
8 to gain a historical perspective that reconnects lost cultural traditions of the past to present  
9 life choices; and
- 10 WHEREAS, over the years he has accompanied and arranged travel to Africa for over 3,600  
11 experienced and first time travelers including notable celebrities, major sports figures, and  
12 influential civic and business leaders; and

13 WHEREAS, he has traveled to and met top diplomatic officials to over 144 countries around  
14 the world, including 44 African nations, and has lived in Ghana, Africa, for over a decade;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, through the Africa and Middle East Literacy Foundation, he continues to  
17 consult with African and World leaders to promote humanitarian efforts in many parts of the  
18 world, including galvanizing business and political leaders from the diaspora to work in  
19 Africa and other developing nations; and

20 WHEREAS, in 2007 he organized a historic trip for a press delegation to travel to Sudan for  
21 a visit to Darfur on a fact-finding mission, and through his efforts secured exclusive  
22 one-on-one interviews with Sudan's President Omar El-Bashir for Black Entertainment  
23 Television (BET) and the TV-One Network; and

24 WHEREAS, Dr. Muhammad's extensive work and travel in Africa are reflected in his  
25 column "Africa and the World" which is published in African-American newspapers  
26 nationally; and

27 WHEREAS, his many good deeds were recognized when he was awarded an Honorary  
28 Doctorate Degree from the Global Evangelical Christian Seminary at the University of  
29 Alabama; and

30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to honor the outstanding achievements of this  
31 distinguished individual.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
33 the members of this body recognize and commend Akbar Muhammad and extend their  
34 sincere best wishes for his continued health, happiness, and success.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
36 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Akbar  
37 Muhammad.