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Senate Resolution 860

By: Senator Anderson of the 43rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Congratulating and commending the Turner Theological Seminary upon its 130th
- 2 anniversary; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, this year, the Turner Theological Seminary celebrates the 130th anniversary of
- 4 its founding with the theme "Cultivating The Bridge Toward A Socially Conscious,
- 5 Innovative, and Prepared 21st Century Ministry"; and
- 6 WHEREAS, named in honor of Bishop Henry McNeal Turner, the resident bishop of the
- 7 African Methodist Episcopal Church in Georgia, the Turner Theological Seminary began as
- 8 a department of Morris Brown College in 1894; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Trustee Board of Morris Brown College, under the leadership of Bishop
- William Reid Wilkes Sr., authorized the Turner Theological Seminary to become a founding
- 11 constituent of the Interdenominational Theological Center in 1958; and
- 12 WHEREAS, since its founding, the Turner Theological Seminary has served as the
- 13 preeminent world center for afri-centric theological engagement and prepared its students to
- 14 advance God's mission of love, justice, and restoration in the world; and

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WHEREAS, graduates of this distinguished institution can be found in all areas of leadership

- in the church, college, and seminaries as well as within civic and political roles; and
- 17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the Turner Theological Seminary be
- 18 appropriately honored during this special time.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 20 congratulate and commend the Turner Theological Seminary upon the grand occasion of its
- 21 130th anniversary and extend sincere best wishes for continued success.
- 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 23 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Turner
- 24 Theological Seminary.