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## AHEAD OF HBCU CAUCUS LAUNCH, CONGRESSWOMAN ALMA ADAMS HOLDS ROUNDTABLE WITH HBCU PRESIDENTS AND REPRESENTATIVES IN GREENSBORO

*Greensboro, N.C.* – Congresswoman Alma Adams, a member of the House Education and the Workforce Committee and Subcommittee on Higher Education today met with presidents as well as representatives from four Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in North Carolina's 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District for a candid and open conversation about HBCUs. The purpose of the roundtable was to hear directly from local HBCUs about the issues impacting their schools.

"As a former professor and alumnus of an HBCU, they have long been a top priority for me, which is why I wanted to hear first-hand from the presidents and representatives before I officially launched my Bipartisan HBCU Caucus," said **Congresswoman Adams**. "HBCUs enroll more than 300,000 students every year and deserve

to be involved in the substantial discussions we are having in Congress as we plan to reauthorize the Higher Education Act. This discussion today was insightful and will help advance the interests of HBCUs as we work to launch the HBCU Caucus, reauthorize the Higher Education Act and draft legislation impacting all colleges and universities throughout America."

Congresswoman Alma Adams will launch the first-ever Bipartisan Congressional HBCU Caucus. The purpose of the caucus is to highlight and address unique challenges that HBCUs face as well as to make sure their needs are heard on Capitol Hill. There are more than 100 HBCUs in the United States with five HBCUs in North Carolina's 12<sup>th</sup> District.

During today's roundtable, Congresswoman Adams was joined by Livingstone College President Dr. Jimmy Jenkins, Bennett College Interim Provost Dr. Michelle Linster, Winston Salem State University Government Relations Director Cornelius Graves, and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University's President Dr. Harold Martin.

Photos from today's roundtable are below.





