



Southern Vance alum fatally shot over weekend

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A Vance County native was one of the two North Carolina A&T State University students that were fatally shot over the weekend at a party near the Greensboro campus.

Ahmad Campbell, 21, graduated from Southern Vance High School in 2013 and left his hometown of Kit-

trell to attend N.C. A&T and pursue a degree in agriculture and environmental systems.

Campbell, along with another N.C. A&T student, Alisia Dieudonne, 19, were both shot during an altercation that broke out at an off-campus house party on Circle Drive early Sunday morning, according to the Greensboro Police.

When officers arrived at the scene,

they found the two students injured. Both were taken to a local hospital, where they were pronounced dead.

According to an alert from N.C. A&T, the suspect is a black male who was last seen leaving the scene of the shooting in a red car. The Greensboro Police Department is still investigating the incident.

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Vance to add 'In God We Trust' to some county buildings

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The Vance County Board of Commissioners, during Monday's meeting, approved a resolution to add the phrase "In God We Trust" to several county buildings.



Deborah Brown

The phrase will be placed on the Vance County Courthouse, the County Administration building and the wall between the two buildings by the U.S. Motto Action Committee, an organization that seeks to get the nation's motto displayed on municipal buildings across the state. It won't cost the county anything, according to Commissioner Tommy Hester.

The 4-2 vote came after quite a bit of discussion. Commissioners Deborah Brown and Terry Garrison opposed the resolution, and Commissioner Leo Kelly was not present at the meeting. Originally, the measure was on last month's agenda, but several commissioners requested time to think it over.

Chairman Gordon Wilder said these are probably the only sites which will receive the letters.

"When this first came to me, I felt in my heart that it was a clear call by God," Wilder said.

Commissioner Archie Taylor said he had questions about the idea at first but feels more comfortable with it now. He said he thinks the phrase won't alienate people.

Wilder said he thinks adding the phrase "In God We Trust" to three of the county's municipal buildings shows what kind of community Vance County is.

"I feel like it's important for us to lead our community toward that God," Wilder said. "I feel like this is one way that we can do that."

Some 16 states allow people to include the phrase on their license plates, according to Taylor.

But not all commissioners were on board with the idea.

Garrison said although he respects the good intentions of the U.S. Motto Action Committee and his fellow commissioners, he has questions — and he said he wondered if there was a political angle.

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Bridge open, construction continues



Above: All four lanes of the Andrews Avenue bridge over Interstate 85 opened over the weekend. Additionally, all of the on and off ramps are now open, allowing travelers to access the interstate in both the north and south directions.

Right: With the completion of the bridge, construction on Interstate 85 continues below as workers add fill dirt to the median between the north and south-bound lanes.



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High: 70, Low: 58



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Mostly Sunny
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