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University President Elmira Mangum, Ph.D., addressed forum participants with words of inspiration and encouraged the College to continue the work that is aiding communities around the globe.

"FAMU and other land-grant institutions are still thriving and adding to the education of African Americans and other low-wealth students as a result of the implementation of the Second Merrill Act," she said. "It is important that land-grant institutions continue to be recognized and that the funding that has been established continue to provide open access for our students across the nation."

Commissioner Putnam also delivered a stirring address to participants.

"A future need to feed 10 billion people worldwide means land-grant institutions are more important than ever," he said. "The only way we will get there is through good science and technology, and a second green revolution

that will allow us to bridge the gap."

He added that advances in agriculture could and will move forward thanks to the work of land-grant institutions such as FAMU and the University of Florida.

"Our land-grant institutions are not only helping us on the farmer's side, but also on the outreach side, so people know how to make healthier choices and how to stretch that household budget. We can't do it without the extension services making it possible," Putnam said.

Administrator Jacobs-Young also discussed the advancement of agricultural research and its undeniable impact on the world.

"These missions are still relevant 125 years later in the work that Florida A&M University and other 1890 institutions continue to do," she said. "Today, the scope of our work in research and agriculture is much larger, the technology and means of communication are more advanced, and the issues we face are more complex. But, the core values passed down by George Washington Carver remain the bedrock of everything we do as an agriculture research service."