Electronic Supplementary Information:

Evidence of blue-shifting N–H…N hydrogen bonding despite elongation of the N–H bond

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Table S1. Some geometrical parameters of pyrrole and pyrrole \cdots N₂ cluster optimized at MP2/6-31+G(d) level of theory. Relevant atom labels are defined in the above picture.

| Geometrical Parameters | Pyrrole | Pyrrole…N ₂ cluster |
|------------------------|---------|--------------------------------|
| N1–H (Å) | 1.0123 | 1.0130 |
| H…N2 (Å) | | 2.3673 |
| N1-H-N2 (degree) | | 179.97 |
| H–N2–N3 (degree) | | 179.99 |

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Figure S1. Bond critical points on the optimized geometry (at MP2/6-31+G(d) level of theory) of pyrrole \cdots N₂ cluster, obtained by AIM calculation, are shown as red spheres. Blue, grey and white (shaded) spheres represent N, C and H respectively.

3. Table S2. Comparison of experimental v_{N-H} of pyrrole in gas phase with those computed (anharmonic) at various

| Experimental* | MP2/6-31G(d,p) | MP2/6-31+G(d) | MP2/6-31+G(d,p) | MP2/6-311++G(d,p) | MP2/aug-cc-pVDZ |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| (cm ⁻¹) |
| 3531 | 3615 | 3532 | 3597 | 3557 | 3538 |

*Taken from Ref. 36 of the main manuscript.

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Table S3. Theoretical predictions for changes of N-H bond length (Ar_{N-H}) and shifts in N-H stretching frequency (Δv_{N-H}) due to pyrrole… N_2 cluster formation.

| Computational level | Δr _{N-H} (Å) | $\Delta v_{\text{N-H}}$ (harmonic) | Δv _{N-H} (anharmonic) |
|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| MP2/6-31G(d,p) | +0.0007 | -4 cm ⁻¹ | -2 cm ⁻¹ |
| MP2/6-31+G(d) | +0.0007 | +3 cm ⁻¹ | +8 cm ⁻¹ |
| MP2/6-31+G(d,p) | +0.0005 | -1 cm ⁻¹ | +0.3 cm ⁻¹ |
| MP2/6-311++G(d,p) | +0.0005 | -4 cm ⁻¹ | -2 cm ⁻¹ |
| MP2/aug-cc-pVDZ | +0.0005 | -1 cm ⁻¹ | -2 cm ⁻¹ |