

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 257

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the technology and life sciences industries and research institutions of this state on the occasion of Texas Technology Week, which is being observed February 13 through 19, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, Texas Technology Week is sponsored by TechAmerica Texas, the Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute, TechNet Texas, the Texas Coalition for Capital, and the Metroplex Technology Business Council, whose representatives are coming together to discuss the major issues facing their industries and to confirm their support for an educational system that will provide the skilled and talented workforce they will need; and

**WHEREAS**, The technology and life sciences industries and research institutions in Texas are achieving leading-edge advances in medicine, space exploration, computing, communications, energy, and transportation, and these industries employ a large number of highly skilled workers in well-paying jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, Texas is a leader in the life sciences area because of the research and work done in universities, in private research institutions, and in biotechnology, medical device, and pharmaceutical companies; people around the world have benefited significantly from the medical treatments and devices developed by these organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, Texas owes much of its economic growth to the technology and life sciences industries; the state ranks second in the country in high-technology employment, and, with more than one-fifth of the state's exported products originating in the technology industry, it is the second-largest technology-exporting state; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby proclaim February 13 through 19, 2011, as Texas Technology Week and extend to all participants best wishes for a rewarding and productive gathering; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 16, 2011.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate