RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Texas Technology Week is being celebrated February 2 18-22, 2013, to increase public awareness of the extraordinary achievements of the state's technology and life sciences industries 3 and research institutions and the vital role they play in the 4 5 prosperity of the Lone Star State; and 6 WHEREAS, This worthwhile event is sponsored by TechAmerica Texas, the Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute, TechNet 7 Texas, the Texas Coalition for Capital, the Metroplex Technology 8 9 Business Council, and The Wind Coalition; representatives from 10 these organizations are gathering together to discuss the major

11 issues facing their industries and to demonstrate their support for 12 an educational system that will provide the skilled and talented

workforce they will need; and 13

14 WHEREAS, The state's technology and life sciences industries and research institutions are revolutionizing the world in which we 15 16 live through leading-edge advances in medicine, space exploration, 17 computing, communications, energy, and transportation; within the state, these industries employ more residents of Texas than the 18 oil, natural gas, and agricultural industries combined, and their 19 20 high-wage, highly skilled jobs contribute to a diverse and growing 21 economy; and

WHEREAS, People around the globe have benefited immeasurably 22 23 from medical treatments and devices developed by Texas businesses, and the work of our universities, private research institutions, 24

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- 1 and biotechnology, medical device, and pharmaceutical companies
- 2 has helped to foster the cycle of innovation that makes Texas a
- 3 leader in the life sciences arena; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The life sciences and technology industries
- 5 generate a significant economic impact in the state; ranking second
- 6 in the country in high-tech employment, Texas is the nation's
- 7 second-largest tech-exporting state, with more than one-fifth of
- 8 its exported products originating in the tech industry; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The technology and life sciences industries and
- 10 research institutions have become a tremendous engine of economic
- 11 growth in the State of Texas and have enhanced the lives of people
- 12 the world over; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 14 Legislature hereby recognize February 18-22, 2013, as Texas
- 15 Technology Week and extend to all participants best wishes for a
- 16 rewarding and productive event.

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