

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 238

WHEREAS, Texas Technology Week is being celebrated February 18 through 22, 2013, to increase public awareness of the extraordinary achievements of the state's technology and life sciences industries and research institutions and the vital role they play in the prosperity of the Lone Star State; and

WHEREAS, This worthwhile event is sponsored by TechAmerica Texas, the Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute, TechNet Texas, the Texas Coalition for Capital, the Metroplex Technology Business Council, and The Wind Coalition; representatives from these organizations are gathering together to discuss the major issues facing their industries and to demonstrate their support for an educational system that will provide the skilled and talented workforce they will need; and

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

WHEREAS, People around the globe have benefited immeasurably from medical treatments and devices developed by Texas businesses, and the work of our universities, private research institutions, and biotechnology, medical device, and pharmaceutical companies has helped to foster the cycle of innovation that makes Texas a leader in the life sciences arena; and

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WHEREAS, The life sciences and technology industries generate a significant economic impact in the state; ranking second in the country in high-technology employment, Texas is the nation's second-largest technology-exporting state, with more than one-fifth of its exported products originating in the technology industry; and

WHEREAS, Technology and life sciences industries and research institutions have become a tremendous engine of economic growth in the State of Texas and have enhanced the lives of people the world over; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby recognize February 18 through 22, 2013, as Texas Technology Week and extend to all participants best wishes for a rewarding and productive event; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of Texas Technology Week.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on February 19, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate