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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, There is a critical need in the United States to 3 instill in the minds of students the possibilities unleashed by 4 education and innovation in the fields of Science, Technology, 5 Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) by providing students, 6 their teachers, and their parents with deep exposure to and a 7 sustainable experience with companies and organizations that 8 provide career paths in these specialized fields; and

9 WHEREAS, PepsiCo is partnering with STEMconnector and 10 other companies and organizations across the United States, 11 including NASA and Teach for America, to address the need for 12 encouraging youth to pursue STEM degrees and careers; and

13 WHEREAS, As a strong supporter of STEM education, PepsiCo 14 will host students, teachers, and parents in March of 2014 at its Barrington research facility to provide career visibility, 15 16 honor teachers, share insights into real business а 17 environment, provide learning about innovation science, and engage parents; therefore, be it 18

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 20 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 21 we commend the students who will participate in the STEM 22 program at PepsiCo's Barrington research facility.