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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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

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

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

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize the date of March 18, 2014 as STEM Career Accelerator Day and commend the students who will participate

in the program at PepsiCo's Barrington research facility.