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2 By Senator Waggoner
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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 SJR___ RECOGNIZING ALABAMA'S TECHNOLOGY WORKFORCE AND ITS
5 ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE.

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7 WHEREAS, emerging technologies are driving the
8 creation of the industries of the future, and new
9 technologies are transforming every area of our lives; and

10 WHEREAS, with great pride and pleasure, we recognize
11 Alabama's technology and the emerging technology job
12 sector's impact on the state's economy; and

13 WHEREAS, the resources that are invested into
14 Alabama's technology industry and advanced, emerging
15 technologies are critical to creating the industries of the
16 future, including autonomous cars, technology manufacturing,
17 and algorithms for disease diagnosis; and

18 WHEREAS, Alabama's technology sector has grown with
19 more than 88,000 technology employees; technology accounts
20 for approximately five percent of Alabama's overall
21 workforce; Alabama's technology sector has an estimated
22 direct economic impact of \$10.5 billion; and

23 WHEREAS, the broad-based impact of the technology
24 industry touches every community, company, and industry
25 market across Alabama; and

26 WHEREAS, Alabama has seen a 57 percent increase in
27 the number of job postings related to emerging technologies,
28 smart cities, drones, artificial intelligence, virtual and



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29 augmented reality, and blockchain; and

30 WHEREAS, studies report that net new technology
31 employment in Alabama will grow by nearly 2 percent, and by
32 the year 2026, net technology employment will have grown by
33 6.8 percent in Alabama; and

34 WHEREAS, Alabama's technology workforce has a
35 positive economic impact on the state; now therefore,

36 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
37 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Alabama's technology sector,
38 technology innovators, and technology job creators are
39 commended, and this resolution is dedicated to them in
40 highest esteem and gratitude.



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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives

Passed: 23-May-23

By: Senator Waggoner