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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 100 1 2 BY CARROLL, DRAKE, WILDERDYKE, and SWAIM 3 A Resolution designating January 28, 2004, as Iowa Telecommunications Association Day. 4 WHEREAS, the Iowa Telecommunications Association, 5 6 the largest and second oldest telephone association in 7 the United States, and its 147 members, all telephone 8 companies operating in Iowa, represent more than 9 600,000 access lines throughout Iowa, providing state-10 of-the-art communications services to Iowa residents; 11 and 12 WHEREAS, the goal of the members of the Iowa 13 Telecommunications Association is to provide Iowans 14 unparalleled service and technology to meet their 15 communications needs; and 16 WHEREAS, the members of the Iowa Telecommunications 17 Association have deployed over 8,000 miles of 18 fiberoptic cables across the state; and 19 WHEREAS, sixty-eight percent of rural communities 20 served by small local telephone companies have access 21 to high-speed internet services; and 22 WHEREAS, thanks to the efforts of Iowa's rural 23 telephone carriers, Iowa enjoys one of the highest 24 rates of households with telephones in the nation, 25 with over 97 percent of households connected, compared 26 to the national average of 95 percent; and WHEREAS, the members of the Iowa Telecommunications 27 28 Association are involved in their communities, 29 supporting their schools, promoting economic 30 development efforts, and helping to grow Iowa; NOW

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1 THEREFORE,

2	BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
3	That the Iowa House of Representatives designates the
4	day of January 28, 2004, as Iowa Telecommunications
5	Association Day and invites the citizens of Iowa to
6	recognize the important role the Iowa
7	Telecommunications Association and its 147 members
8	play in providing Iowa residents with superior
9	telecommunications services.
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