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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 18

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A Senate Resolution relating to Small Business Week.

WHEREAS, over 62,000 small businesses exist in Iowa, more than 80 percent of which employ less than 20 employees, and over 30,000 of which employ five or fewer employees; and

WHEREAS, small business men and women make tremendous contributions to the Iowa economy and Iowans' way of life, create wealth, develop new products and services, enhance existing products and services, and offer jobs and opportunities to many Iowans; and

WHEREAS, small businesses are the foundation of the free enterprise system and the force behind the progress, innovation, and dynamism in the Iowa economy; and

WHEREAS, Iowans should be proud of their small businesses, which are the backbone of Iowa and the nation for providing the goods and services on which Iowans personally depend; and

WHEREAS, small businesses will continue to play a key role in developing exports and providing diversification for the Iowa economy; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate wishes the small business men and women of Iowa continued success and recognizes their contributions to the Iowa economy not only during Small Business Week, but all year long.

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