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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 107

BY IVERSON and GRONSTAL

A Resolution designating January 28, 2004, as Iowa Telecommunications Association Day.

WHEREAS, the Iowa Telecommunications Association, the largest and second oldest telephone association in the United States, and its 147 members, all telephone companies operating in Iowa, represent more than 600,000 access lines throughout Iowa, providing state-of-the-art communications services to Iowa residents; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the members of the Iowa Telecommunications Association is to provide Iowans unparalleled service and technology to meet their communications needs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Iowa Telecommunications Association have deployed over 8,000 miles of fiberoptic cables across the state; and

WHEREAS, sixty-eight percent of rural communities served by small local telephone companies have access to high-speed internet services; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the efforts of Iowa's rural telephone carriers, Iowa enjoys one of the highest rates of households with telephones in the nation, with over 97 percent of households connected, compared to the national average of 95 percent; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Iowa Telecommunications Association are involved in their communities, supporting their schools, promoting economic development efforts, and helping to grow Iowa; NOW

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RULES & ADMINISTRATION

1 THEREFORE,

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

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