

## House Resolution 8 - Introduced

### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8

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1 A Resolution designating February 28, 2023, as  
2 Community College Day.

3 WHEREAS, the first junior college in Iowa, a  
4 two-year postsecondary educational institution, was  
5 established in Mason City in 1918; and

6 WHEREAS, credit enrollment in community colleges in  
7 Iowa has increased progressively since their inception,  
8 with nearly 118,000 students taking over 1.5 million  
9 credit hours in the last calendar year; and

10 WHEREAS, minority enrollment in community colleges  
11 in Iowa continues to increase, with a record high of  
12 24.3 percent recorded in the last academic year; and

13 WHEREAS, more than 17,000 credit awards were  
14 successfully achieved by students in the last academic  
15 year, and 15.7 percent of students continued their  
16 education at a four-year school after receiving an  
17 award; and

18 WHEREAS, in the last academic year, the Iowa Skilled  
19 Worker and Job Creation Fund provided training and  
20 support to more than 1,000 Gap Tuition Assistance  
21 Program participants, 2,800 Pathways for Academic  
22 Career and Employment Program (PACE) participants,  
23 and 95,000 teachers and kindergarten through grade  
24 12 students who engaged in work-based learning  
25 opportunities; NOW THEREFORE,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
27 That the House of Representatives designates February

1 28, 2023, as Community College Day to educate others  
2 about the success that community colleges have had,  
3 continue to have, and will have in the future for  
4 Iowa's students, workforce, and economy.