

House Resolution 107 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 107

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1 A Resolution designating February 2026 as Career and
2 Technical Education Month.

3 WHEREAS, February 2026 has been designated Career
4 and Technical Education Month by the Association for
5 Career and Technical Education; and

6 WHEREAS, career and technical education offers
7 students the opportunity to gain the academic,
8 technical, and employability skills necessary for true
9 career readiness; and

10 WHEREAS, students in career and technical
11 education programs participate in authentic, meaningful
12 experiences that improve the quality of their education
13 and increase their engagement and achievement; and

14 WHEREAS, career and technical education provides
15 students with career exploration opportunities early
16 in their educational experience, which enables students
17 to make informed and beneficial decisions about their
18 academic coursework and pursue established programs of
19 study and career pathways; and

20 WHEREAS, leaders from business and industry
21 nationwide report increasing challenges related to
22 addressing the skills gap and connecting qualified
23 professionals with careers in critical and growing
24 career-and-technical-education-related fields, such as
25 agriculture, food, and natural resources; applied
26 sciences, technology, engineering, and manufacturing;
27 business, finance, marketing, and management;
28 health sciences; human services; and information

1 solutions; and

2 WHEREAS, career and technical education prepares
3 students for these and other fulfilling careers
4 by offering integrated programs of study that link
5 secondary and postsecondary education and lead to the
6 attainment of industry-recognized credentials; and

7 WHEREAS, career and technical education programs
8 ensure that employers have access to a qualified and
9 thriving workforce, ensuring our nation is a strong and
10 competitive economy; NOW THEREFORE,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
12 That the House of Representatives designates February
13 2026 as Career and Technical Education Month and urges
14 all citizens to become familiar with the services
15 and benefits offered by the career and technical
16 education programs in Iowa communities and to support
17 and participate in these programs to enhance their
18 individual skills and productivity.