## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Pacific Institute of Technology; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the Pacific Institute of Technology received a \$4,966,308 grant from the United

States Department of Labor through the H-1B Technical Skill Training Grant Competition;
and

5 WHEREAS, the grant will fund the Putting Georgia to Work Program (PGWP), a four-year 6 state-wide project to train and place 800 under-employed and long-term unemployed 7 participants from metro Atlanta and across the state in Georgia's high growth information 8 technology and high technology sector that currently relies on H-1B Visa employees; and

9 WHEREAS, PGWP will target the high demand jobs of network systems and data 10 communication analysts, computer software engineers/applications, computer software 11 engineers/systems, and database administrators; and

12 WHEREAS, the Pacific Institute of Technology is a leading provider of information

13 technology training; and

14 WHEREAS, President Remmy Idaewor established the organization with the goal of sharing

15 the knowledge gained as a database administrator with those who aspire to make a career in

16 information technology in similar positions; and

17 WHEREAS, over the years, many courses have been added to the program based on

 $18 \quad \text{employer demand for highly skilled IT employees, including Microsoft SQL SERVER, IBM$ 

19 DB2 Database Administration and Management, Siebel CRM Application Development,

20 Oracle eBusiness Suites of Products, Microsoft .Net Programming, Unix Shell Scripting, and

21 Informatica ETL Development; and

- 22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 23 distinguished institute be appropriately recognized.
- 24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 25 commend the Pacific Institute of Technology for its contributions to higher education and
- 26 congratulate it for receiving a United States Department of Labor grant to fund the Putting
- 27 Georgia to Work Program.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 29 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Pacific Institute of Technology President
- 30 Remmy Idaewor.