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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

WHEREAS, President Remmy Idaewor established the organization with the goal of sharing
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 employer demand for highly skilled IT employees, including Microsoft SQL SERVER, IBM

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

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

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.