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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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### Subtitle

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WHEREAS, February 2015 has been designated as Career and Technical Education Month; and

WHEREAS, profound economic and technological changes in our society are reflected in the structure and nature of tasks required by today's labor force, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our education system; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education, CTE, provides students with classroom instruction and connects them to career opportunities; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to students' leadership in the international marketplace; and

WHEREAS, high school students, through CTE, gain experience in practical, meaningful applications of basic skills, including reading, writing, and mathematics, which improves the quality of their education, motivates potential dropouts, and gives all students leadership opportunities in their fields and communities; and



WHEREAS, CTE courses offer students lifelong opportunities to learn new skills, which provide them career choices and prospective success; and

WHEREAS, the increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, business, and industry stimulate the growth and vitality of Arkansas's economy and that of the entire nation by preparing high school graduates, through competency-based instruction, for careers culminating in essential life skills, certified occupational skills, and meaningful employment,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate recognizes February 2015 as Career and Technical Education Month, urges Arkansans to become familiar with the programs, disciplines, and benefits offered by career and technical education, and supports these programs that enhance the work skills and productivity of students in the 21st century.