

## **ACTE - Resolution Passed, December, 2006**

### **Resolution 1: Resolution to encourage entrepreneurship throughout America**

Entrepreneurship is vital to the inventiveness and innovation of the economy of the United States of America

WHEREAS: Encouraging people to be excited about entrepreneurship, and providing instruction to expand the knowledge, skills, and attitudes of America's youth and adults to be successful entrepreneurs are crucial to the long-term growth of communities, through inventiveness and innovation, throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS: Career and technical education has taken the lead for the past 25 years to ensure that entrepreneurship is taught in the educational system of America. Career and Technical Student Organizations offer an array of programs, activities, and competitive events focused on developing students' entrepreneurial skills; and

WHEREAS: Career and technical education leaders came together to create the national Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education in 1982 to provide leadership for a life-long model for entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS: Organizations throughout the United States are actively engaged in enhancing entrepreneurial opportunities through collaboration and cooperation; and

WHEREAS: The Partnership for 21st Century Skills identified entrepreneurial literacy skills as one of the content areas critical to success in communities and workplaces; and

WHEREAS: The United States House of Representatives resolved to recognize the first annual National Entrepreneurship Week commencing on February 24, 2007; and thus provides an opportunity to celebrate contributions of entrepreneurs to America and to focus on the innovative ways in which entrepreneurship education can bring together core academic, technical, and problem solving skills.

NOW, THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: All CTE educators call on President George W. Bush to declare the week of February 24, 2007 – March 3, 2007 in support of House Resolution #699 as Entrepreneurship Week USA in order to encourage the celebration of the contributions of entrepreneurs to the success of America.