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Expressing support for the designation of March 26, 2026, as “National Science Appreciation Day”.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 26, 2026

Ms. ROSS (for herself, Mr. MCCORMICK, and Mr. AMO) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the designation of March 26, 2026, as “National Science Appreciation Day”.

Whereas, on March 26, 1953, American medical scientist Dr. Jonas Salk, announced the development of a vaccine against polio;

Whereas STEM jobs make up 24 percent of the United States economy with over 36,800,000 people working in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics;

Whereas science leads to knowledge, products, and processes that continually improve many sectors such as economics, manufacturing, education, health, transportation, defense, agriculture, animal welfare, commerce, and others;

Whereas technology leads to innovation, enhanced communication, economic growth, and boosted productivity;

Whereas engineering leads to improved quality of life, infrastructure, and maintaining modern day systems;

Whereas mathematics leads to problem-solving, interpreting data to support strong economics, and driving the United States to be a leader in modern day STEM initiatives;

Whereas at least 18 government departments and agencies rely on a scientifically trained workforce, including—

- (1) the National Aeronautics and Space Administration;
- (2) the Food and Drug Administration;
- (3) the Environmental Protection Agency;
- (4) the Department of Agriculture;
- (5) the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration;
- (6) the National Centers for Environmental Information;
- (7) the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- (8) the National Science Foundation;
- (9) the Department of Energy;
- (10) the National Institutes of Health;
- (11) the Department of Education;
- (12) the Defense Technical Information Center;
- (13) the Department of Commerce;
- (14) the United States Forest Service;
- (15) the Department of Homeland Security;
- (16) the United States Geological Survey;
- (17) the Department of Transportation; and
- (18) the Fish and Wildlife Service;

Whereas STEM has provided vaccines, antibiotics, surgery, sanitation, increased agricultural yields, safe drinking water, and other inventions to promote innovation and improve quality of life;

Whereas STEM leads to research breakthroughs, developments in technology, and job growth;

Whereas the United States science and engineering workforce is employed across all sectors and is foundational to the Nation's knowledge-based economy;

Whereas artificial intelligence presents new opportunities for Americans in both productivity and efficiency;

Whereas accomplishments of the Nation's scientists impact American's daily lives and help to protect and keep them safe and secure; and

Whereas a "National Science Appreciation Day" would provide an opportunity to recognize and celebrate American scientific achievements and inspire the next generation to continue this honorable and vital tradition: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives ex-
2 presses support for a "National Science Appreciation
3 Day".

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