

House Resolution 942

By: Representatives Kendrick of the 93rd, Stephens of the 164th, Caldwell of the 20th, Stovall of the 74th, Williams of the 168th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Encouraging corporations to fund inclusive innovation (technology), entrepreneurship
2 (startup) and investment (seed funding) ecosystem building for all; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, as indicated by the McKinsey Inclusion study, inclusion of intersectional ethnic,
4 racial, and gender diversity on executive and decision-making teams yields increased
5 productivity and economic output; and

6 WHEREAS innovation, entrepreneurship, and investment are the backbone of the United
7 States economy; and

8 WHEREAS, Georgia has consistently been recognized as the best place in which to do
9 business; and

10 WHEREAS, Georgia is home to more than 25 Fortune 100 companies and hundreds of
11 growing and thriving high-growth enterprises; and

12 WHEREAS, the federal government recently passed a significant corporate tax rate cut; and

13 WHEREAS, it is imperative to the United States and Georgia economies that employees,
14 entrepreneurs, and small businesses thrive.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
16 the members of this body encourage Georgia corporations to invest a significant portion of
17 the corporate tax savings they recently received in:

- 18 (1) Inclusive software development, coding, and cybersecurity training for all ages and
19 communities;
- 20 (2) High-growth startup entrepreneurship pre-accelerator and accelerator programs;
- 21 (3) Inclusive corporate innovation initiatives; and

22 (4) Seed stage ventures funds for minority suppliers and startup firms throughout the
23 State of Georgia.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
25 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
26 public and the press.