

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-4668, by Representatives Slatter, Ryu, Callan,  
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1       WHEREAS, Women in Cloud celebrates female entrepreneurs in the  
2 tech industry as a source of inspiration and support that connects  
3 and empowers women throughout Washington and beyond; and

4       WHEREAS, Washington is home to many thriving tech companies; and

5       WHEREAS, Women in Cloud cultivates partnerships with innovative  
6 companies, leaders, and governments to advance the success of women  
7 in tech; and

8       WHEREAS, Women in Cloud strives to change industry narratives by  
9 creating economic access for women in the cloud economy; and

10       WHEREAS, The underrepresentation of women in tech leadership not  
11 only harms technological development, societal and economic growth,  
12 but is also unacceptable in the 21st century; and

13       WHEREAS, Only ten percent of leadership positions in the tech  
14 industry are held by women and more than half of U.S. tech start-ups  
15 lack female representation on their boards; and

16       WHEREAS, Fifty-six percent of women in tech fields leave their  
17 positions midcareer, double the turnover rate for men; and

18       WHEREAS, Female mentorship in tech fosters valuable skills in  
19 communication, leadership, adaptation, and networking; and

20       WHEREAS, Inclusivity and representation empower young women and  
21 girls to pursue careers in tech; and

