

46th Annual Conference of New England Governors and Eastern Canadian Premiers

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RESOLUTION 46-1 CONCERNING TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

WHEREAS, the New England states and Eastern Canadian provinces have long histories of social, economic, and environmental collaboration that has included pursuing innovative approaches to challenges on a regional scale;

WHEREAS, the states and provinces have individually fostered vibrant innovation ecosystems comprising businesses, educational institutions and research and innovation organisations, government partners, and other stakeholders;

WHEREAS, regional cooperation strengthens innovation by fostering the cross-pollination of ideas, enabling scientific collaboration, expanding access to markets, and enhancing government support;

WHEREAS, technology and innovation have the potential to address opportunities identified in traditional and emerging industries and the pressing challenges of our time, including those related to climate change and decarbonization, clean energy generation, and more;

WHEREAS, the governors and premiers have previously recognized the importance of regional economic development cooperation through Resolution 38-3 and further noted their support in Resolution 42-3;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the governors and premiers reaffirm their commitment to regional collaboration in economic development through increased collaboration in the areas of technology and innovation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the governors and premiers direct economic development officials to virtually convene New England states' and Eastern Canadian provinces' technology and innovation ecosystem representatives, as appropriate, to share best practices, identify existing initiatives and further opportunities for regional collaboration, and report back at the 47th Annual Conference of New England Governors and Eastern Canadian Premiers.

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Newfoundland and Labrador, on November 17, 2025.

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