

From: Dave Rollo
Date: Wed, Jul 26, 2023 at 6:15 PM
Subject: Re: Resolution 23-13
To: John Fernandez

Hi John,

The resolution is specific for the existential threat of Artificial General Intelligence. It states that before super-intelligent AI capabilities are achieved, that the alignment with human values and well-being must be assured. Industry leaders have agreed and I believe that the signatories are over 1800 individuals at the present time.

Are you not in agreement with this position?

Best,

Dave

On Wed, Jul 26, 2023 at 3:31 PM John Fernandez wrote:
Hi Dave.

Hope you enjoyed the summer break.

I'll cut to the chase, I hope you will consider withdrawing Resolution 23 -13.

Are there real issues / challenges that need to be addressed as AI tech advances? Of course. But the approach of this resolution is not the only path forward. I'm positive that our colleagues at the Luddy School would be more than happy to host thoughtful dialogue with council members on the challenges and opportunities surrounding this technology.

Moreover, this is not a good message from the City as we are trying to work more closely with the Luddy School and leveraging the talent and R&D coming out of the school to improve our economic development opportunities. Luddy has a tremendous amount of research and funding focused on the positive potential for this technology in the fields of health care, climate, manufacturing, etc. Not sure this resolution sends a very good message.

Certainly we can come up with a better more nuanced community conversation on this topic than a contentious debate around a moratorium?

Thanks
John