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As a CEO of a startup company and entrepreneur, I believe software patents discourage innovation and make society worse off. I am a capitalist and a businessman; I know from experience that profits are enhanced by openness, not eroded by it. By sharing more, we all benefit. Software algorithms are mathematics and should not be patentable.

Thank you for acting to abolish software patents,

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