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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 26-019

101 **CONCERNING STRENGTHENING THE SISTER-STATE RELATIONS**
102 **BETWEEN THE STATE OF COLORADO AND TAIWAN, AND, IN**
103 **CONNECTION THEREWITH, REAFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR**
104 **TAIWAN'S INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION.**

1 WHEREAS, The state of Colorado and Taiwan have enjoyed a
2 close, longstanding, mutually beneficial, sister-state relationship since
3 1983, a partnership built on a shared dedication to freedom, democracy,
4 and a free market economy; and

5 WHEREAS, On behalf of the state of Colorado, Lieutenant
6 Governor Dianne Primavera led a trade and investment promotion
7 delegation to Taiwan in November 2024, along with officials of the
8 Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade, the
9 Colorado Department of Agriculture, and a Colorado delegation of

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1 economic development professionals and industry leaders from the state,
2 who explored opportunities with Taiwan in high-tech industries; and

3 WHEREAS, On February 3, 2026, Governor Jared Polis and the
4 Director General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office, Debby
5 Huang, signed a memorandum of understanding to establish closer
6 cooperation in the development of emerging, innovative technologies,
7 including quantum, photonics, precision agriculture, and semiconductors;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, The United States and Taiwan enjoy a robust,
10 symbiotic trade relationship, with Taiwan being our country's 7th largest
11 trading partner, the U.S. being Taiwan's 2nd largest trading partner, and
12 bilateral trade totals exceeding \$158 billion, according to 2024 data; and

13 WHEREAS, The 2025 Taiwan Agricultural Trade Goodwill
14 Mission, led by Deputy Minister of Agriculture Tu Wen-jane, visited the
15 U.S. and signed Letters of Intent, stating that Taiwan will purchase
16 approximately \$2.12 billion in corn products and \$3.44 billion to \$4.2
17 billion in soybean products from the U.S. over the next four years; and

18 WHEREAS, Various bilateral mechanisms and exchanges,
19 including the Taiwan-U.S. Economic Prosperity Partnership Dialogue, the
20 US-Taiwan Initiative on 21st-Century Trade, the SelectUSA Investment
21 Summit, and the Agricultural Trade Goodwill Mission, have laid the
22 foundation for a mutually beneficial trade agreement between the U.S.
23 and Taiwan; and

24 WHEREAS, Despite functioning as a de facto independent country
25 since 1950, Taiwan's international participation in the United Nations is
26 obstructed by the People's Republic of China's malicious distortion of
27 United Nations General Assembly Resolution 2758; and

28 WHEREAS, Taiwan, as a responsible stakeholder in the
29 international community, is seeking to meaningfully participate in the
30 United Nations, the World Health Organization, the International
31 Criminal Police Organization (Interpol), the International Civil Aviation
32 Organization, and the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity
33 launched by the United States; now, therefore,

34 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-fifth General Assembly*
35 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

1 That we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly:

2 (1) Celebrate the 43rd anniversary of our state's sister-state
3 relationship with Taiwan;

4 (2) Support the further strengthening of trade relations and
5 academic exchanges between Colorado and Taiwan;

6 (3) Support the signing of the Agreement on Avoidance of Double
7 Taxation between the United States and Taiwan;

8 (4) Support Taiwan's inclusion in international organizations that
9 are significant to the health, safety, and well-being of all people; and

10 (5) Commend Taiwan's vibrant democracy.

11 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
12 to Lai Ching-te, President of Taiwan; Lin Chia-lung, Minister of Foreign
13 Affairs of Taiwan; and Debby Huang, Director General of the Taipei
14 Economic and Cultural Office in Denver.