



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 26-019

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

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

WHEREAS, On behalf of the state of Colorado, Lieutenant Governor Dianne Primavera led a trade and investment promotion delegation to Taiwan in November 2024, along with officials of the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade, the Colorado Department of Agriculture, and a Colorado delegation of economic development professionals and industry leaders from the state, who explored opportunities with Taiwan in high-tech industries; and

WHEREAS, On February 3, 2026, Governor Jared Polis and the Director General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office, Debby

Huang, signed a memorandum of understanding to establish closer cooperation in the development of emerging, innovative technologies, including quantum, photonics, precision agriculture, and semiconductors; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

That we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly:

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

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

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

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

(5) Commend Taiwan's vibrant democracy.

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

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