Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3024

Introduced by

Representatives Berg, Boucher

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1 A concurrent resolution urging the United States Secretary of Commerce to complete a 2 Taiwan-United States free trade agreement. 3 WHEREAS, Taiwan and the United States enjoy one of the most important economic 4 and strategic international relationships that exist today; and 5 WHEREAS, Taiwan and the United States promote shared beliefs in freedom, 6 democracy, and market principles; and 7 WHEREAS, Taiwan is the second largest market for hard red spring wheat in the world; 8 and 9 WHEREAS, Taiwan imported 23,050,000 bushels of hard red spring wheat in the 10 2003-04 marketing year as a cash customer; and 11 WHEREAS, a Taiwan-United States free trade agreement would encourage greater 12 innovation and new cooperative ventures for producers and entrepreneurs of both nations; and 13 WHEREAS, a Taiwan-United States free trade agreement would build on the strong 14 relationship between Taiwan and the United States by simultaneously enhancing security and 15 democracy and serving the broader interests of the United States in the Asia-Pacific region; 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 17 OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN: 18 That the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly urges the United States Secretary of 19 Commerce to complete a Taiwan-United States free trade agreement; and 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this 21 resolution to the President of the United States, the United States Secretary of Commerce, the 22 United States Trade Representative, and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional 23 Delegation.