

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution recognizing the 25th anniversary of the formation of North Dakota's  
2 sister state relationship with the Province of Taiwan, Republic of China.

3 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota has enjoyed a sister state relationship with Taiwan since April 3,  
4 1986; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the people of this state and of Taiwan have enjoyed a long history of friendly  
6 relations and increased international understanding and have benefited from growing  
7 commercial and educational interaction between North Dakota and Taiwan; and

8 **WHEREAS**, in 2009 North Dakota-exported goods to Taiwan were valued at nearly  
9 \$4 billion; and

10 **WHEREAS**, over the last 20 years, the University of North Dakota has educated more than  
11 250 pilots from Taiwan; and

12 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota has long-standing partnerships with Taiwan, including both states  
13 hosting visiting public and private sector representatives to facilitate trade;

14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF**  
15 **NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

16 That the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly takes pride in recognizing the 25th anniversary  
17 of the formation of North Dakota's sister state relationship with Taiwan and looks forward to this  
18 relationship continuing for years to come; and

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution  
20 to the President of Taiwan, the Governor of North Dakota, the Speaker of the Taiwan Provincial  
21 Consultative Council, the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Kansas City, Missouri, and the  
22 Executive Director of the North Dakota Trade Office.