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SENATE RESOLUTION No. 13

DIGEST OF RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the 40th anniversary of the Indiana-Taiwan sister-state relationship and the United States Congress's enacting of the Taiwan Relations Act, supporting Taiwan's signing of a Bilateral Trade Agreement with the United States, and reaffirming support for increasing Taiwan's international profile.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the 40th
2 anniversary of the Indiana-Taiwan sister-state relationship and
3 the United States Congress's enacting of the Taiwan Relations
4 Act, supporting Taiwan's signing of a Bilateral Trade
5 Agreement with the United States, and reaffirming support for
6 increasing Taiwan's international profile.

7 *Whereas, The State of Indiana is proud of the sister-state*
8 *relationship it has enjoyed with the Republic of China (Taiwan)*
9 *since 1979, which is marked by strong bilateral trade,*
10 *educational and cultural exchanges, and tourism;*

11 *Whereas, Taiwan shares the same values of freedom,*
12 *democracy, human rights, the rule of law, peace, and prosperity*
13 *with the United States and the State of Indiana;*

14 *Whereas, The United States Congress passed the Taiwan*
15 *Relations Act (TRA) in 1979 to sustain a close bilateral*
16 *relationship between the United States and Taiwan, as well as*
17 *to advance their mutual security and commercial interests;*

18 *Whereas, The TRA has served as the cornerstone of U.S.-*
19 *Taiwan relations and has helped to preserve peace and stability*

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1 *in the Taiwan Strait;*

2 *Whereas, The United States ranks as Taiwan's second*
3 *largest trading partner, Taiwan is the eleventh largest trading*
4 *partner of the United States, and bilateral trade reached \$68.2*
5 *billion in 2017;*

6 *Whereas, Taiwan and the State of Indiana have enjoyed a*
7 *long and mutually beneficial relationship with the prospect of*
8 *future growth, and Taiwan was Indiana's seventh largest export*
9 *market in Asia in 2017, with \$195 million worth of Indiana*
10 *goods exported to Taiwan;*

11 *Whereas, Negotiations for a Bilateral Trade Agreement*
12 *(BTA) between Taiwan and the United States are an important*
13 *step toward further strengthening bilateral trade between our*
14 *countries, thereby increasing Indiana's exports to Taiwan and*
15 *creating bilateral investment and technical collaboration*
16 *through tariff reduction and other trade facilitation measures;*
17 *and*

18 *Whereas, Taiwan has undertaken a policy of "steadfast*
19 *diplomacy" in its international relations, is capable of and*
20 *willing to fulfill its responsibilities, and is willing to collaborate*
21 *with the world to deal with the challenges of humanitarian aid,*
22 *disease control, and so forth: Therefore,*

23 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
24 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

25 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes the 40th
26 anniversary of the Indiana-Taiwan sister-state relationship and the
27 United States Congress's enacting of the Taiwan Relations Act,
28 supports Taiwan's signing of a Bilateral Trade Agreement with the
29 United States, offers its continued support to Taiwan's meaningful
30 participation in international organizations which impact the health,
31 safety, and well-being of its people, and supports its aspiration to make
32 more contributions in international societies.

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1 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
2 transmit copies of this Resolution to the members of the Indiana
3 Congressional Delegation and the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office
4 in Chicago, Illinois.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Public Policy, to which was referred Senate Resolution No. 13, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said resolution DO PASS.

(Reference is to SR 13 as introduced.)

ALTING, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0

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