

**SENATE CONCURRENT
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2 relationship between Japan and the State of Indiana.

3 *Whereas, The Japan and State of Indiana relationship is*
4 *sustained by the mutual support given to each other, as*
5 *demonstrated by their robust economic partnership, marked*
6 *by prosperity and mutual esteem, which has yielded over*
7 *67,000 jobs, and which will continue to advance the*
8 *economic expansion of both regions;*

9 *Whereas, Among all U.S. states, Indiana has the largest*
10 *amount of Japanese investment per capita;*

11 *Whereas, Japan and the State of Indiana enjoy vibrant*
12 *bilateral trade which continues to grow, with Japan ranked*
13 *as Indiana's third largest export partner, exporting over \$2*
14 *billion of Indiana-made goods to Japan in 2018;*

15 *Whereas, Beginning in the 1980s, the number of*
16 *Japanese companies in the State of Indiana has steadily*
17 *increased from less than 20 to now more than 320, aided by*
18 *the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, which has*
19 *promoted the state's pro-business climate and assisted*
20 *Japanese companies to grow and thrive;*

21 *Whereas, Japan and the State of Indiana have cultivated*
22 *a lasting friendship, exemplified by the sister-state*
23 *relationship between Indiana and Tochigi Prefecture, which*
24 *in July 2019, celebrates 20 years of friendship and exchange;*



1 *Whereas, The 20 years of friendship and exchange is*
2 *further demonstrated by the 13 additional sister-city*
3 *relationships between Japan and Indiana;*

4 *Whereas, Japan and the State of Indiana enjoy a history*
5 *of educational exchange, as more than 4,240 students at 41*
6 *schools across Indiana engage in Japanese language*
7 *programs, and many Japan and Indiana educational*
8 *institutions maintain collaborative partnerships; and*

9 *Whereas, Japan and the State of Indiana share a*
10 *commitment to upholding democracy, freedom, cultural*
11 *connections, and the rule of law, and continue steadfastly in*
12 *the promotion of these shared values: Therefore,*

13 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*
14 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives*
15 *concurring:*

16 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly honors the
17 long and rich history of friendship and economic partnership
18 between Japan and the State of Indiana.

19 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
20 to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Consul-General Naoki
21 Ito.

