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A JOINT RESOLUTION in support of Taiwan.

WHEREAS, Taiwan and the United States are bonded by their shared commitment to democracy, human rights, the rule of law and a free market economy; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 1984, the State of Wyoming adopted Taiwan as Wyoming's sister state; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan ranks as the United States' eighth largest trading partner, Taiwan ranks as the United States' sixth largest agricultural goods export destination and bilateral trade between the United States and Taiwan reached an estimated one hundred fourteen billion dollars (\$114,000,000,000.00) in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the United States and Taiwan have welcomed the resumption of high-level trade engagement and have expressed a desire to work closely together; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan ranks as the State of Wyoming's eighth largest trading partner in Asia and both the State of Wyoming and Taiwan are committed to strengthening bilateral economic bonds; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress passed the landmark Taiwan Relation Act in 1979 to sustain a close, bilateral relationship and to advance mutual security and commercial interests between the United States and Taiwan; and

WHEREAS, based on the principles of the United States' and Taiwan's Education Initiative in 2020, Taiwan's Ministry of Education and the State of Wyoming's Department of Education signed a memorandum of understanding on educational

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cooperation in 2022 to further promote teacher and student exchanges and cultural awareness; and

WHEREAS, the United States has previously assisted Taiwan in its participation with the World Health Organization, the International Civil Aviation Organization and the International Criminal Police Organization and the United States will continue to support Taiwan's meaningful participation in these and other international organizations; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan, as a willing and contributing member of the world community, has made countless contributions of technical and financial assistance in the wake of natural disasters worldwide.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING:

- **Section 1.** That Wyoming reaffirms its commitment to the strong and deepening relationship between Taiwan and the State of Wyoming.
- **Section 2.** That Wyoming supports Taiwan's participation in internal organizations that impact the global trade, health, safety and well-being of the twenty-three million (23,000,000) people in Taiwan.
- **Section 3.** That Wyoming reiterates its support for a closer economic and trade partnership between the United States and Taiwan including signing the United States-Taiwan Bilateral Trade Agreement.

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Section 4. That the Secretary of State of Wyoming transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress, to Wyoming's Congressional Delegation, to Taiwan President Tsai Ing-wen and to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office, Seattle, Washington.

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