

2023 South Dakota Legislature House Concurrent Resolution 6011 ENROLLED

AN ACT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Celebrating the sister-state relationship with Taiwan.

WHEREAS, South Dakota and Taiwan have been in a sister-state relationship since 1984; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota and Taiwan continue to share the same values regarding freedom, democracy, the rule of law, and respect for human rights; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota and Taiwan have enjoyed a mutually beneficial bilateral trade relationship, in which Taiwan is South Dakota's seventh-largest import partner, and continued growth in that relationship is anticipated; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan and the United States have been involved in negotiations under the U.S.-Taiwan Initiative on 21st-Century Trade, which was launched on June 1, 2022, and which will incentivize innovation and inclusive economic growth between South Dakota and Taiwan; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan is a contributor to peace and stability in the global community, a provider of aid, and a hi-tech and green energy manufacturing hub, and is seeking to meaningfully participate in the World Health Organization, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the International Civil Aviation Organization, and the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Ninety-Eighth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that South Dakota praises Taiwan's vibrant democracy; supports the further strengthening of our trade relationships and academic exchanges; supports Taiwan's inclusion in the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity and other international organizations that are significant to the health, safety, and wellbeing of all people; and heartily celebrates the thirty-ninth anniversary of its sister-state relationship with Taiwan.

February 1, 2023 February 3, 2023

Hugh Bartels Speaker of the House Patricia Miller Chief Clerk

Larry Rhoden President of the Senate Kay Johnson Secretary of the Senate