

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Governor to establish sister state relations with the
2 Fujian Province of the People's Republic of China in the
3 areas of arts and culture, economic development and travel
4 and tourism.

5 WHEREAS, The Fujian Province of the People's Republic of
6 China is located in the southeastern coastal region of China and
7 has been open to the world for a long time; and

8 WHEREAS, The Fujian Province has a population of
9 approximately 34.5 million people, a land area of 121,000 square
10 kilometers and an annual gross domestic product of approximately
11 \$570 billion; and

12 WHEREAS, There are about 450,000 citizens of the Fujian
13 Province who live in the United States; and

14 WHEREAS, More than 100 Fujian overseas businessmen maintain
15 close ties to the Fujian Province's economy and businesses that
16 invest overseas; and

17 WHEREAS, It is in the best interests of the Commonwealth of
18 Pennsylvania to establish a sister state relationship with the

1 Fujian Province in the areas of arts and culture, economic
2 development and travel and tourism; therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge the Governor
4 to establish sister state relations with the Fujian Province of
5 the People's Republic of China in the areas of arts and culture,
6 economic development and travel and tourism.