
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 10, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the friendship and bilateral relationship between
2 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Taiwan.

3 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Taiwan have a
4 long history of close relations that are mutually beneficial,
5 Taiwan being an important economic, security and cultural
6 partner; and

7 WHEREAS, Taiwan is the 11th largest trading partner of the
8 United States, with bilateral trade totaling \$68.2 billion in
9 2017; and

10 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania established a trade
11 and investment office in Taiwan in 2005, which promotes a
12 fruitful relationship of economic cooperation between the two
13 sides; and

14 WHEREAS, Taiwan is the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's 7th
15 largest export market in Asia, and the Commonwealth of
16 Pennsylvania is home to a growing number of Taiwanese companies
17 that create thousands of jobs in this Commonwealth; and

1 WHEREAS, Life Sciences Pennsylvania, formerly Pennsylvania
2 Bio, signed a memorandum of understanding with Taiwan Bio
3 Industry Organization in 2015, which has fostered new business
4 opportunities, partnerships and research collaboration; and

5 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Taiwan signed
6 an intergovernmental agreement regarding the mutual recognition
7 of driver's licenses in 2015, which created greater convenience
8 for the people on both sides and deepens relations between
9 Taiwan and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
11 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania commemorate the friendship and
12 bilateral relationship between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
13 and Taiwan; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
15 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania support the enhancement of the
16 friendship and bilateral relationship between the Commonwealth
17 of Pennsylvania and Taiwan; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
19 President Tsai Ing-wen of Taiwan through the Taipei Economic and
20 Cultural Office in New York.