
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 8400

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By Senators Talmadge, Skratek, Haugen, Owen, A. Smith, Pelz, Bluechel, Winsley and Erwin

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1 WHEREAS, The State of Washington in the United States of America
2 and the Province of Taiwan have an extensive cultural, economic, and
3 political relationship; and

4 WHEREAS, The manifestation of these relationships can be found in
5 the fact that more than five billion dollars in trade was done between
6 the State of Washington and the Province of Taiwan in 1991 and more
7 than forty-five thousand visitors came to the State of Washington from
8 the Province of Taiwan; and

9 WHEREAS, The State of Washington has chosen to recognize the
10 special nature of the relationship of the partners by the establishment
11 of a Trade Office in Taipei; and

12 WHEREAS, The benefits of a continued expansion of trade between the
13 State of Washington and the Province of Taiwan include increases in
14 trade-related employment and greater markets for the products of both
15 states; and

16 WHEREAS, The State of Washington and the Province of Taiwan have
17 worked together to have officially sponsored exchanges in the fine
18 arts, recreation, and political fields; and

19 WHEREAS, Such exchanges provide opportunities for the people of the
20 State of Washington and the people of the Province of Taiwan to benefit

1 by gaining a greater appreciation for the history, fine arts, political
2 institutions, and culture of each other;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Senate of the State of
4 Washington, the House of Representatives concurring, That the State of
5 Washington declares that it agrees to enter into a sister state
6 relationship with the Province of Taiwan; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Governor of the State of
8 Washington is encouraged to continue to use the influence of the Office
9 of Governor to promote increased trade, cultural exchanges, and tourism
10 between the two sister states.

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