

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2024-4665, by Representatives Walen, Gregerson, Berry, Ramel, Ryu, Leavitt, Robertson, Orwall, Santos, Klicker, Duerr, Senn, Christian, Barnard, Mosbrucker, Corry, Rude, Barkis, Nance, Goehner, Callan, Macri, Bronoske, Thai, and Stokesbary

1 WHEREAS, The people of Washington state share a rich cultural
2 history and a strong bond with our global neighbors in Taiwan and the
3 more than 100,000 Taiwanese Americans from Taiwan living and working
4 in Washington state; and

5 WHEREAS, Taiwanese Americans living in Washington have profoundly
6 impacted our state and continue to further the democratic values that
7 define us as a beacon of opportunity and prosperity; and

8 WHEREAS, Washingtonians recognize the generations of resilience,
9 sacrifice, and hope demonstrated by Taiwanese immigrants living in
10 Washington and their descendants in their innumerable contributions
11 to our communities; and

12 WHEREAS, The people of Washington state enjoy a more vibrant
13 heritage and economy from the bilateral cultivation of these deep
14 ties with the people of Taiwan; and

15 WHEREAS, Taiwan has ranked among the top three importers of
16 Washington sweet cherries, potatoes, and beef; and

17 WHEREAS, The people of Washington state value the investment of
18 Taiwanese companies in Washington state's workforce, helping to
19 create more than 15,000 skilled labor jobs in industries ranging from
20 semiconductor technology, airlines, and harbor shipping to the
21 development and manufacture of high-quality fiber optic components
22 and video microscopes;

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House
2 of Representatives recognize the importance of a strong and enduring
3 partnership between the people of Washington state and the people of
4 Taiwan.

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