

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE
4 RESOLUTION 1061

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution commemorating the 29th anniversary of
8 the sister-state relationship between the State of
9 Oklahoma and the Province of Taiwan, Republic of
10 China; and directing distribution.

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12 WHEREAS, a formal sister-state relationship between the State of
13 Oklahoma and the Province of Taiwan, Republic of China, was entered
14 into in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on July 25, 1980, with Governor
15 George Nigh representing the State of Oklahoma; and

16 WHEREAS, the relationship has enabled the residents of both
17 Taiwan and Oklahoma to participate in cultural exchanges and become
18 better acquainted with each other's customs and traditions; and

19 WHEREAS, since 1980, sisterhood connections have been sealed
20 between the cities of Tulsa and Kaohsiung and Oklahoma City with
21 Taipei and Tainan; and

22 WHEREAS, in 2008, 358 students from Taiwan studied at Oklahoma
23 colleges and universities; and
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1 WHEREAS, two official Oklahoma delegations in 2005 and 2007 and
2 numerous Taiwanese delegations have traveled across the Pacific
3 Ocean, serving as ambassadors of good will; and

4 WHEREAS, in 2001, Oklahoma exported \$14.34 million in goods and
5 services to Taiwan; and

6 WHEREAS, Oklahoma exports to Taiwan reached \$28.29 million in
7 2008; and

8 WHEREAS, Taiwan ranked as Oklahoma's 30th largest export market
9 in 2008; and

10 WHEREAS, the 29th anniversary of the sister-state relationship
11 between the State of Oklahoma and Taiwan, Republic of China, is an
12 occasion for renewal of the friendship between the two and an
13 opportunity to celebrate their mutually beneficial partnership.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
15 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

16 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives is pleased to
17 commemorate the 29th anniversary of the sister-state relationship
18 between the State of Oklahoma and the Province of Taiwan, Republic
19 of China.

20 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Joseph Chen,
21 Director General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in
22 Houston, Texas.

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