

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   2nd Session of the 53rd Legislature (2012)

4   HOUSE  
5   RESOLUTION 1046

                                  By: Trebilcock

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8                                   AS INTRODUCED

9           A Resolution celebrating the thirty-second  
10          anniversary of the Sister-State relationship between  
11          the State of Oklahoma and Taiwan; welcoming the  
12          Honorable Director General Daniel Liao to the House  
13          of Representatives of Oklahoma; endorsing the  
14          proposition that Taiwan join the United States Visa  
15          Waiver Program and participate as observer in the  
16          International Civil Aviation Organization and United  
17          Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change; and  
18          directing distribution.

19           WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma and Taiwan initiated a Sister  
20          State Agreement on July 25, 1980, have enjoyed the benefits of the  
21          bonds of friendship and goodwill since that time and prepare to  
22          celebrate their thirty-second anniversary in 2012; and

23           WHEREAS, Daniel Liao assumed his post as Director General of the  
24          Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Houston on January 16, 2012,

1 and he graciously visits the House of Representatives of the State  
2 of Oklahoma; and

3 WHEREAS, Taiwan has extended visa waivers to the United States  
4 since 1993, and American Institute in Taiwan announced Taiwan has  
5 been nominated for inclusion in the U.S. Visa Waiver Program on  
6 December 22, 2011; and

7 WHEREAS, Taiwan is recognized as a nation with exemplary  
8 economic and environmental progress, including substantial progress  
9 in the aviation industry for many years; and great advantages would  
10 result in Taiwan's participation in the International Civil Aviation  
11 Organization (ICAO) and United Nations Framework Convention on  
12 Climate Change (UNFCCC).

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
14 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 53RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

15 THAT the House of Representatives hereby celebrates the thirty-  
16 second anniversary of the Sister-State relationship between the  
17 State of Oklahoma and Taiwan, welcomes the Honorable Director  
18 General Daniel Liao to the House of Representatives of Oklahoma, and  
19 endorses the proposition that Taiwan join the United States Visa  
20 Waiver Program and participate as observer in the International  
21 Civil Aviation Organization and United Nations Framework Convention  
22 on Climate Change.

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1            THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Daniel Liao,  
2 Director General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in  
3 Houston.

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