

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 30

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution encouraging further economic ties and
8 friendship between the State of Oklahoma and Taiwan;
9 supporting tax agreement; celebrating the 46th
10 anniversary of sister-state relationship; and
11 directing distribution.

12 WHEREAS, the longstanding economic ties and bonds of friendship
13 between the U.S. and Taiwan, embodied in the Taiwan Relations Act of
14 1979, continue to yield important economic, social, strategic, and
15 cultural benefits; and

16 WHEREAS, in 2025, Taiwan ranked 4th on the Heritage Foundation's
17 Index of Economic Freedom, holds an important position in the global
18 economy as a top player in the world's information and
19 communications technology industry, and is a trusted partner for
20 economic cooperation and exchanges in industries like smart
21 machinery, the Internet of Things, biotechnology, energy technology,
22 national defense, semiconductors, and the circular economy; and

23 WHEREAS, U.S.-Taiwan trade reached \$201.1 billion in 2025, and
24 Taiwan ranks as the United States' 8th-largest export market for
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1 American agricultural products, and 7th-largest merchandise trading
2 partner; and

3 WHEREAS, the robust U.S.-Taiwan trade and investment partnership
4 provides a solid foundation for a mutually beneficial bilateral
5 trade agreement to spur job creation, expand the global market, and
6 secure international, democratic supply chains; and

7 WHEREAS, Taiwan is a pivotal force for stability in the Indo-
8 Pacific that amplifies the values of democracy, peace, and
9 prosperity by partnering with like-minded countries through
10 integrated diplomacy to address global challenges; and

11 WHEREAS, Taiwanese officials and civil society groups partner
12 with the U.S. on a range of issues to promote our common values of
13 freedom, democracy, and human rights; and

14 WHEREAS, since 1980, Oklahoma and Taiwan have maintained a
15 sister-state relationship and enjoy particularly close economic
16 ties, and in 2025 the Oklahoma Legislature passed Senate Bill 209 to
17 establish the Taiwan Regional Trade Office under the Oklahoma
18 Department of Commerce to facilitate economic relationships between
19 Oklahoma-based businesses and businesses in Taiwan, as well as
20 promote trade between Taiwan and Oklahoma businesses; and

21 WHEREAS, Oklahoma and the United States have benefited
22 immeasurably through decades of unwavering friendship with Taiwan,
23 and the wider world is sure to reap tremendous rewards as Taiwan
24 works to enhance its presence in the international community.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
2 OF THE 60TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

3 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate expresses support for
4 strengthening our partnership with Taiwan, for the expansion of
5 Taiwan's role on the global stage, and for its efforts to preserve
6 peace and stability in the Taiwan Strait through meaningful
7 dialogue.

8 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate supports a tax agreement between
9 the United States and Taiwan.

10 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate celebrates the 47th anniversary
11 of the Taiwan Relations Act and the 46th anniversary of the sister-
12 state relationship between the State of Oklahoma and Taiwan.

13 THAT copies of this resolution be furnished to the Taipei
14 Economic and Cultural Office in Houston.

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