

State of South Dakota

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1002

Introduced by: Representatives Hunt, Ahlers, Bradford, Buckingham, Carson, Cutler, Davis, Dreyer, Engels, Glenski, Gosch, Hackl, Halverson, Hargens, Haverly, Hills, Howie, Jerke, Kirkeby, Koistinen, Lucas, Lust, Miles, Moore, Nelson, Noem, Novstrup (David), Nygaard, Olson (Russell), Peters, Rausch, Rave, Rhoden, Sigdestad, Thompson, Van Norman, Vanneman, and Willadsen and Senators Gant, Abdallah, Albers, Duenwald, Hansen (Tom), Hanson (Gary), Hauge, Jerstad, Knudson, McCracken, Olson (Ed), Smidt (Orville), and Two Bulls

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, To commend Taiwan on its contributions to the promotion
2 of freedom, democracy, and human rights, and to support its efforts to join certain
3 international organizations.

4 WHEREAS, Taiwan and the United States of America are friends and allies of long
5 standing, and both cherish the common values of freedom, democracy, and human rights; and

6 WHEREAS, the State of South Dakota and Taiwan established a sister-state relationship in
7 1984 and have enjoyed long and mutually beneficial agricultural, trade, cultural, and educational
8 relations; and

9 WHEREAS, a joint communiqué was signed between the South Dakota Wheat Commission
10 and the Taiwan Flour Mill Association, purchasing 25.9 million dollars worth of South Dakota
11 wheat in 2008 and 2009; and

12 WHEREAS, an agricultural youth exchange program conducted between South Dakota and



1 Taiwan has allowed South Dakota students to view Taiwan's agricultural industry, economic
2 achievements, and vibrant society, which enriches the international vision of the young
3 generation; and

4 WHEREAS, the Taiwanese contemporary art exhibition in South Dakota has entertained,
5 inspired, and enriched the community by making international art and cultural exchange part of
6 our lives, and will support and push the limits of artistic expression in South Dakota and
7 through the region in the new year; and

8 WHEREAS, the twenty-three million people of Taiwan have effectively extended
9 humanistic, technical, and financial support to aid international efforts in maintaining world
10 peace and combating epidemic diseases in the past and are eager to continue to contribute in the
11 future; and

12 WHEREAS, the United States, in the Taiwan Policy Review, declared its intention to
13 support Taiwan's participation in appropriate international organizations:

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-
15 Third Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the
16 Legislature hereby supports Taiwan and its twenty-three million people's participation in the
17 World Health Organization, the United Nations, and other international organizations.