

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6013

A RESOLUTION strengthening the sister-state ties between the State of Kansas and Taiwan, supporting the U.S.-Taiwan Initiative on 21st Century Trade and reaffirming support for increasing Taiwan's international participation.

WHEREAS, The State of Kansas and Taiwan entered into sister-state relations in 1989; and

WHEREAS, Kansas and Taiwan enjoy mutually beneficial bilateral trade relations, with Taiwan ranking as Kansas' 3rd largest import country and 10th largest export destination in 2021; and

WHEREAS, In September 2022, Taiwan sent an Agricultural Trade Goodwill Mission to Kansas to purchase wheat worth approximately \$576 million for 2023 and 2024; and

WHEREAS, The wheat purchase further promoted bilateral trade relations between Kansas and Taiwan; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan, is a contributor to peace and stability in the global community, provider of aid and creator of a high-tech, green energy manufacturing hub; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan is seeking to meaningfully participate in the World Health Organization, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the International Civil Aviation Organization and the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) launched by the United States on May 23, 2022: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That Kansas applauds Taiwan's vibrant democracy and celebrates the 34th anniversary of its sister-state relations with Taiwan; and

Be it further resolved: That Kansas supports the further strengthening of Kansas-Taiwan trade relations and academic exchanges; and

Be it further resolved: That Kansas supports Taiwan's inclusion in the IPEF and in international organizations that are significant to the health, safety and well-being of its people.

House Resolution No. 6013 was sponsored by Representatives Daniel Hawkins and Les Mason

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.