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**57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025**

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

SUPPORTING STRENGTHENING RELATIONS BETWEEN TAIWAN AND THE  
UNITED STATES AND BETWEEN TAIWAN AND NEW MEXICO IN TRADE,  
EDUCATION, EXCHANGE OF VISITS BY OFFICIALS AND TAIWAN'S  
PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

WHEREAS, the total two-way trade of goods between the  
United States and the Republic of China, also known as Taiwan,  
was an estimated one hundred forty-five billion dollars  
(\$145,000,000,000) in 2024, with almost forty billion dollars  
(\$40,000,000,000) in exports, excluding military sales, and  
almost eighty-eight billion dollars (\$88,000,000,000) in  
imports, ranking Taiwan as the ninth-largest trading partner of  
the United States in 2023; and

WHEREAS, the first agreement under the US-Taiwan  
Initiative on 21st-Century Trade was signed June 1, 2023 and  
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1 includes high-standard commitments in future negotiations of  
2 economic and trade agreements between the two countries; and

3 WHEREAS, Taiwan's international trade administration and  
4 the economic development department signed a memorandum of  
5 understanding on trade and economic cooperation on October 5,  
6 2021 to foster further economic engagement and establish or  
7 expand operations and supply chain cooperation between Taiwan  
8 and New Mexico; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2021, the economic development department  
10 opened an international trade bureau office in Taipei to  
11 advance bilateral exchanges in various areas; and

12 WHEREAS, Taiwan was New Mexico's sixth-largest export  
13 market in 2023 with a total of sixty-two million dollars  
14 (\$62,000,000) in exports from New Mexico; and

15 WHEREAS, Taiwan's Admiral cable located operations in  
16 Santa Teresa in 2018 and hired three hundred forty workers; and

17 WHEREAS, Taiwan's Xxentria, Cymmetrik and Hota followed in  
18 2020 and 2023, with Xxentria bringing thirty-five new jobs with  
19 likely more to come, Cymmetrik planning to hire ten employees  
20 and Hota creating three hundred fifty jobs; and

21 WHEREAS, on July 12, 2013, the president of the United  
22 States signed into law H.R. 1151, an act supporting Taiwan's  
23 participation as an observer in the international civil  
24 aviation organization; and

25 WHEREAS, on March 18, 2016, the president of the United

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1 States signed into law S. 2426, an act directing the United  
2 States secretary of state to develop a strategy to obtain  
3 observer status for Taiwan in the international criminal police  
4 organization; and

5 WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, the president of the United  
6 States signed into law S. 1678, an act stating that it should  
7 be the policy of the United States to advocate, as appropriate,  
8 for Taiwan's membership in all international organizations in  
9 which statehood is not a requirement and in which the United  
10 States is also a participant and for Taiwan to be granted  
11 observer status in other appropriate international  
12 organizations; and

13 WHEREAS, the United States secretary of state issued a  
14 statement on October 26, 2021 encouraging all United Nations  
15 member states to join in supporting Taiwan's robust, meaningful  
16 participation throughout the United Nations system and in the  
17 international community; and

18 WHEREAS, joint memorials in support of Taiwan's meaningful  
19 participation in international organizations and United Nations  
20 specialized agencies have been introduced in the New Mexico  
21 legislature in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022  
22 and 2023; and

23 WHEREAS, in December 2020, the United States and Taiwan  
24 launched the US-Taiwan Education Initiative, which aims to  
25 expand opportunities for American students to learn Mandarin

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1 from Taiwanese teachers, as well as opportunities for teachers  
2 in the United States to help Taiwan reach its goal to become a  
3 bilingual society by 2030; and

4 WHEREAS, Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham and New Mexico  
5 legislators acknowledge the achievements made by New Mexico and  
6 Taiwan since the establishment of their sister state relations  
7 on August 14, 1985 in the fields of economy, trade, technology,  
8 education and culture and encourage the continued bilateral  
9 educational cooperation between the two sides in the future;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, after Governor Lujan Grisham's visit to Taiwan in  
12 2023, New Mexico's elected officials, including legislators,  
13 are encouraged to lead delegations to Taiwan to advance  
14 bilateral trade and investment opportunities between New Mexico  
15 and Taiwan and tourism, cultural and cultural exchange  
16 opportunities between New Mexico and Taiwan in the future;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
18 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the legislature support strengthening  
19 relations between the United States and Taiwan and New Mexico  
20 and Taiwan in trade, the exchange of visits by officials and  
21 support of organizations; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature support  
23 additional negotiations and agreements under the US-Taiwan  
24 Initiative on 21st-Century Trade Implementation Act, advocate  
25 for Taiwan's inclusion in the Indo-Pacific economic framework

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1 for prosperity, pursue efforts to establish an agreement on  
2 double taxation avoidance, advance negotiations for a bilateral  
3 trade agreement and affirm strong support for Taiwan's  
4 participation in the comprehensive and progressive agreement  
5 for a trans-Pacific partnership; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature support  
7 Taiwan's meaningful participation in the United Nations system,  
8 including the world health organization, the world health  
9 assembly, the international civil aviation organization and the  
10 United Nations climate change conference, and support Taiwan's  
11 inclusion in the international criminal police organization;  
12 and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature support the  
14 US-Taiwan Education Initiative and encourage cooperation  
15 between New Mexico and Taiwan in K-12 education and university  
16 education; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
18 transmitted to the governor of New Mexico and the members of  
19 New Mexico's congressional delegation.