THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII S.C.R. NO. 104

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNITED STATES TO SUPPORT TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL POLICE ORGANIZATION, UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE, AND INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION AND URGING INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO GRANT TAIWAN MEMBERSHIP, OBSERVER, OR OTHER APPROPRIATE STATUS.

1 WHEREAS, Taiwan shares with the United States the universal values of freedom, democracy, and respect for human rights and 2 3 the rule of law; and 4 WHEREAS, Taiwan and Hawaii have an established sister-state 5 relationship since 1993, and sister-city or sister-county 6 relationships have been established between Honolulu and 7 8 Kaohsiung City, Maui County and Pingtung County, Hawaii County and Hualien County, and Kauai County and Penghu County; and 9 10 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii Office in Taipei and the 11 Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Honolulu have worked 12 13 together to promote cooperation and exchanges in tourism, agriculture, culture, education, and trade; and 14 15 WHEREAS, Taiwan has a gross domestic product of 16 \$828,600,000,000, making it the twenty-first largest economy in 17 18 the world; and 19 WHEREAS, Taiwan's population is approximately twenty-three 20 and a half million, making it the fifty-seventh most populous 21 nation or dependency in the world; and 22 23 24 WHEREAS, Taiwan has full membership in forty intergovernmental organizations or their subsidiary bodies, 25

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including the World Trade Organization, Asia-Pacific Economic 1 Cooperation, Central American Bank for Economic Integration; and 2 3 WHEREAS, Taiwan is also an observer or holds another status 4 in twenty-five intergovernmental organizations or their 5 subsidiary bodies, including the European Bank for 6 Reconstruction and Development; and 7 8 WHEREAS, despite those memberships and statuses, Taiwan is 9 not a member of the World Health Organization, International 10 Criminal Police Organization, United Nations Framework 11 Convention on Climate Change, or International Civil Aviation 12 Organization; now, therefore, 13 14 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second 15 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the 16 House of Representatives concurring, that the United States is 17 urged to support Taiwan's participation in additional 18 international organizations, including the World Health 19 Organization, International Criminal Police Organization, United 20 Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, and 21 International Civil Aviation Organization; and 22 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the World Health Organization, 24 International Criminal Police Organization, United Nations 25 Framework Convention on Climate Change, and International Civil 26 Aviation Organization are urged to grant Taiwan observer or 27 other appropriate status; and 28 29 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the 31 32 United States, President of Taiwan, Director-General of the World Health Organization, Secretary General of the 33 International Criminal Police Organization, Executive Secretary 34 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, 35 and President of the International Civil Aviation Organization. 36 37 38 OFFERED BY: 39

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