

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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House Resolution No. 4907

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SHUMAKE.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

1 **WHEREAS**, the State of Missouri and Republic of China (Taiwan) entered into a sister-
2 state relationship in 1980; and

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4 **WHEREAS**, Missouri and Taiwan share the values of freedom, democracy, rule of law,
5 and respect for human rights; and

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7 **WHEREAS**, Taiwan is Missouri's eleventh largest trading partner; and

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9 **WHEREAS**, the bonds of true friendship and a mutually beneficial trade partnership
10 between Missouri and Taiwan have resulted in strong economic, social, and cultural exchanges;
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13 **WHEREAS**, a Taiwan Agricultural Trade Goodwill Mission visited Missouri in
14 September of 2017, signed letters of intent to purchase Missouri agricultural commodities, and
15 provided an opportunity for Missouri businesses to build a mutually beneficial trade relationship
16 with Taiwan; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, negotiations for a fair and reciprocal bilateral trade agreement between
19 Taiwan and the United States are an important step to further strengthen bilateral trade, which
20 would increase Missouri exports and promote investment in both countries; and

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22 **WHEREAS**, Taiwan, as a responsible stakeholder in the international community, seeks
23 to meaningfully participate in the World Health Organization, International Civil Aviation
24 Organization, and International Criminal Police Organization:

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26 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the members of the House of
27 Representatives, the Ninety-ninth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, hereby praise
28 Taiwan's mature and vital democracy; celebrate the thirty-seventh anniversary of sister-state

29 relations with Taiwan; and support Taiwan's appropriate participation in international
30 organizations that benefit the health, safety, and well-being of its people; and

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32 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
33 Representatives be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for the
34 United States Secretary of State and Director General Jerry S. Chang of the Taipei Economic and
35 Cultural Office in Denver, Colorado.

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