

2015 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 80

BY SENATOR CROWE

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Commends Taiwan for the positive economic relations and friendship with Louisiana.

A RESOLUTION

To commend Taiwan, officially known as the Republic of China, for positive economic relations and friendship with the state of Louisiana and to encourage the continuation and further strengthening of these ties.

WHEREAS, in 2014, Governor Bobby Jindal and a senior delegation from Louisiana visited Taiwan highlighting the significance that the state of Louisiana places on this important Asian market for Louisiana goods; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan and Louisiana have maintained a strong, friendly, and long-standing relationship; and

WHEREAS, the relationship between Taiwan and Louisiana includes international trade ties, investment ties, ports ties, and cultural ties; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan ranked as Louisiana's 32nd largest export market and its 46th largest importer nation in 2014; and

WHEREAS, both exports and imports in 2014 between Taiwan and Louisiana experienced more than a twenty percent increase over the previous year; and

WHEREAS, three companies from Taiwan have investments in Louisiana, namely, Dexco Polymers L.P., Formosa Plastics Corporation, and Nan Ya Plastics Corporation of America; and

1           WHEREAS, Louisiana is a leading state in the United States in attracting foreign  
2       direct investment; and

3           WHEREAS, Louisiana welcomes increased international investment and increased  
4       trade with Taiwan; and

5           WHEREAS, the year 2015 marks the thirtieth anniversary of the sister-state  
6       relationship between Taiwan and Louisiana and the thirty-fifth anniversary of the sister-city  
7       relationship between the city of Taichung and the city of Baton Rouge; and

8           WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana welcomes reciprocal visits between the Taipei  
9       Economic and Cultural Office in Houston, Texas, and the Louisiana Department of  
10      Economic Development; and

11          WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana welcomes the Taipei Economic and Cultural  
12      Office and other representatives from Taiwan to establish a presence in our state.

13          THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
14      does hereby commend Taiwan, officially known as the Republic of China, for its positive  
15      economic relations and friendship with the state of Louisiana and hereby encourages the  
16      continuation and further strengthening of these ties.

17          BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
18      Louis M. Huang, Director General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Houston,  
19      Texas.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Carla S. Roberts.

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