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3       By Senators Smitherman and Beason  
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4 ENROLLED, SJR76,

5 COMMENDING TAIWAN FOR ITS RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED  
6 STATES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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8 WHEREAS, in March of 2008, Taiwan held its fourth  
9 direct presidential election and witnessed a peaceful  
10 transition of political power, paving the way for Taiwan as a  
11 beacon of democracy in Asia and beyond; and

12 WHEREAS, Taiwan and the United States are  
13 long-standing allies who both deeply cherish the values of  
14 freedom, democracy, human rights, and the rule of law; and

15 WHEREAS, the State of Alabama and Taiwan have  
16 enjoyed long, cordial, and mutually beneficial relations, a  
17 friendship that continues to strengthen with each passing  
18 year; and

19 WHEREAS, Taiwan is the United States' ninth largest  
20 trading partner, and the United States is Taiwan's third  
21 largest trading partner; and

22 WHEREAS, the Economic Cooperation Framework  
23 Agreement between Taiwan and mainland China went into effect  
24 in September of 2010, today, the government of Taiwan has

1 committed itself to achieving peace and co-prosperity with  
2 mainland China; and

3 WHEREAS, Taiwan is an active member in the  
4 international community with a long history of commitment to  
5 international health and humanitarian aid as well as  
6 environmental protection; now therefore,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
8 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the members of this body  
9 commend and support the democratization efforts of Taiwan and  
10 the nation's meaningful participation in the World Health  
11 Organization, the International Civil Aviation Organization,  
12 and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change,  
13 as well as other international organizations.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this body hereby  
15 welcomes all opportunities, such as resuming meetings of the  
16 United States-Taiwan Trade and Investment Framework Agreement  
17 and the inclusion of Taiwan to participate in the United  
18 States' Visa Waiver Program, to enhance the special  
19 sister-state bond between Alabama and Taiwan, and encourages  
20 further cultural, educational, and business exchanges between  
21 the citizens of Alabama and Taiwan.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate  
23 is authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of  
24 this resolution to Ms. Anna A. Kao, Director General of the  
25 Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Atlanta.

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President and Presiding Officer of  
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Speaker of the House of Representa-  
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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint  
Resolution originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris  
Secretary

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House of Representatives  
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By: Senator Smitherman