

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12—Senators Denis, Hammond; Brooks, Buck, Cannizzaro, Donate, Dondero Loop, Goicoechea, Hansen, Hardy, D. Harris, Kieckhefer, Lange, Neal, Ohrenschall, Pickard, Ratti, Scheible, Seevers Gansert, Settelmeyer and Spearman

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Celebrating the sister-state relationship between the State of Nevada and Taiwan, which continues to enhance trade, educational and cultural relations.

WHEREAS, The State of Nevada is proud of the sister-state relationship it has enjoyed with Taiwan since 1985, which has been greatly strengthened through the efforts of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, This important relationship shared by the United States and Taiwan is underlain by common values, including freedom, democracy, rule of law and a free market economy; and

WHEREAS, Over 30,000 Taiwanese citizens currently reside in Nevada and have enriched our communities while sharing their great culture and enhancing ours; and

WHEREAS, The Asia-Pacific region is the largest market in the world for American exports and many Nevada exports, and Taiwan is one of the largest trading partners in the world, with Nevada exporting more than \$128 million in goods and services to Taiwan and importing over \$836 million in goods and services from Taiwan in 2020; and

WHEREAS, The United States ranks as Taiwan’s second largest trading partner and Taiwan ranks as the 10th largest trading partner of the United States, with approximately \$103.9 billion in goods and services traded in 2020; and

WHEREAS, The United States and Taiwan have steadily strengthened their economic, security, educational and cultural ties



through the passage of the Taiwan Travel Act and the Taiwan Allies International Protection and Enhancement Initiative (TAIPEI) Act; and

WHEREAS, On May 12, 2020, Nevada First Lady Kathy Sisolak presented a certificate of recognition for the donation of 30,000 medical masks for Nevada's healthcare providers from the citizens of Taiwan; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan has some of the world's leading experts in combating worldwide diseases and has undertaken a policy of steadfast diplomacy in its international relations and is capable of and willing to fulfill its responsibilities and to collaborate with the world to deal with the challenges of worldwide humanitarian aid and disease control; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the Nevada Legislature, on behalf of the people of Nevada, reaffirm the sister-state relationship of the State of Nevada and Taiwan as a source of great pride for the State of Nevada which continues to enhance trade, educational and cultural relations; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to United States Secretary of State, Antony J. Blinken, the members of the Nevada Congressional delegation, Governor Steve Sisolak and Director-General Ming-Chi Scott Lai of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in San Francisco; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon adoption.

