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	SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 25-016
101	CONCERNING STRENGTHENING THE SISTER-STATE RELATIONS
102	BETWEEN THE STATE OF COLORADO AND TAIWAN, AND, IN
103	CONNECTION THEREWITH, REAFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR
104	TAIWAN'S INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION.
1	WHEREAS, The state of Colorado and Taiwan have enjoyed a
2	mutually beneficial sister-state relationship since 1983; and
3	WHEREAS, Taiwan and Colorado share the same values of
4	freedom, democracy, rule of law, free markets, and respect for individual
5	human rights; and
6	WHEREAS, Colorado and Taiwan have maintained a mutually
7	beneficial trade relationship, so that Taiwan has consistently ranked
8	among Colorado's top ten trading partners both as an export destination

1	and as an import source; and
2 3	WHEREAS, On behalf of the state of Colorado, Lieutenant Governor Dianne Primavera led a trade and investment promotion
4	delegation to Taiwan in November 2024, along with officials of the
5	Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade, the
6	Colorado Department of Agriculture, and a Colorado delegation of
7	economic development professionals and industry leaders from the state,
8	who explored opportunities with Taiwan in high-tech industries including
9	aerospace, agriculture, and semiconductors; and
10	WHEREAS, Negotiations for a fair and reciprocal bilateral trade
11	agreement between Taiwan and the United States are an important step
12	toward further strengthening of bilateral trade and mutual investment
13	between Colorado and Taiwan; and
14	WHEREAS, Pressure from the People's Republic of China has
15	excluded Taiwan from full and effective membership in several
16	international organizations; and
17	WHEREAS, The People's Republic of China continues to threaten
18	the sovereignty of Taiwan on a daily basis; and
19	WHEREAS, Taiwan, as a responsible stakeholder in the
20	international community, is seeking to meaningfully participate in the
21	United Nations, the World Health Organization, the United Nations
22	Framework Convention on Climate Change, the International Criminal
23	Police Organization, the International Civil Aviation Organization, and
24	the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity launched by the
25	United States; now, therefore,
26	Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-fifth General Assembly
27	of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:
28	That we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly:
29	(1) Strongly support Taiwan's sovereignty and vibrant democracy
30	and celebrate the 42nd anniversary of sister-state relations with Taiwan;
31	(2) Strongly support further strengthening of Colorado-Taiwan
32	trade relations and academic exchanges:

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1 2 3	(3) Strongly support the signing of the Agreement on Avoidance of Double Taxation between the United States and Taiwan to further bilateral investment activities; and
4 5 6	(4) Strongly support Taiwan's inclusion in international organizations, which are significant to the health, safety, and well-being of its people and the world.
7 8 9	Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this Joint Resolution be sent to Director General Bill Huang of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Denver.

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