

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 25—Assemblymen Weber, Allen, Anderson, Angle, Arberry Jr., Atkinson, Buckley, Carpenter, Christensen, Claborn, Conklin, Denis, Gansert, Gerhardt, Giunchigliani, Goicoechea, Grady, Hardy, Hettrick, Hogan, Holcomb, Horne, Kirkpatrick, Koivisto, Leslie, Mabey, Manendo, Marvel, McClain, McCleary, Mortenson, Munford, Ocegüera, Ohrenschall, Parks, Parnell, Perkins, Pierce, Seale, Sherer, Sibley and Smith

Joint Sponsors: Senators Rhoads, Amodei, Beers, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Hardy, Heck, Horsford, Lee, Mathews, McGinness, Nolan, Raggio, Schneider, Tiffany, Titus, Townsend, Washington and Wiener

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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Commemorating the 20th anniversary of the sister-state relationship between the State of Nevada and the Republic of China on Taiwan.

WHEREAS, On October 24, 1985, the State of Nevada invited the Republic of China on Taiwan to join the State of Nevada as a sister state to strengthen international understanding and good will and to establish a greater friendship between the residents of Nevada and Taiwan; and

WHEREAS, For the past 20 years, the bonds of friendship have strengthened resulting in a better understanding of the economic, social and cultural heritages of Nevada and Taiwan; and

WHEREAS, As a token of this friendship, in 1991, the people of Taiwan presented the State of Nevada with two beautiful metal state seals which were placed prominently on the north and south exterior walls of the Legislative Building; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, The State of Nevada was honored by receiving as a gift, five beautiful paintings by Professor James Yeh-Jau Liu and Professor Wang Ch'ang-chieh which are displayed inside the Legislative Building; and

WHEREAS, The commercial interaction with the Republic of China on Taiwan and the State of Nevada has grown substantially with each passing year resulting in increased economic growth for both Taiwan and Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan is the seventh largest trade partner of the United States, with over \$45 billion in two-way trade in 2003; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the members of the 73rd Session of the Nevada Legislature, on behalf of the people of the State of Nevada, do hereby express their sincere gratitude and appreciation to the

people of the Republic of China on Taiwan for 20 years of enlightenment, friendship and mutual economic growth as our sister state; and be it further

RESOLVED, That it is with great pride that the State of Nevada looks forward to many more rewarding years as a sister state with the Republic of China on Taiwan; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Director General Matthew S. Lee of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in San Francisco.