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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing the 30th Anniversary of the Taiwan Relations Act.

WHEREAS, April 10, 2009, will mark the 30th anniversary of the enactment of the Taiwan Relations Act, codifying in law the basis for continued commercial and cultural relations between the United States and the Republic of China, Taiwan, and

WHEREAS, the Taiwan Relations Act continues to be instrumental in maintaining peace, security, and stability in the Taiwan Strait since enactment in 1979, and

WHEREAS, Taiwan's democracy has deepened with the second peaceful transfer of power from one political party to another after the presidential election in March 2008, and

WHEREAS, Florida maintains a vested interest in relations between United States and Taiwan as a sister state of the Province of Taiwan, and currently embraces six sister city relationships: Kaohsiung County and Fort Lauderdale; Kaohsiung County and Miami; Kaohsiung County and Pensacola; Miao-Li County and Kissimmee; Tainan City and Orlando; and Taipei County and Miami-Dade County, and

WHEREAS, a Taipei Economic and Cultural Office is located in Miami, promoting progress in our longstanding friendly and mutually beneficial interests of political relations, security, trade, investment, culture and education, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

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That House of Representatives recognizes the unwavering commitment of Congress to the Taiwan Relations Act as the cornerstone of the strong and deepening relations between the United States and Taiwan and remains committed to upholding and strengthening the sister state relationship between Florida and Taiwan.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Miami as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.