

By Senator Detert

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Senate Resolution

A resolution expressing support for the successful negotiation of a mutually beneficial Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership between the United States and the European Union.

WHEREAS, the transatlantic economy is the largest in the world, encompassing nearly 50 percent of global gross domestic product (GDP), and the United States-European Union High Level Working Group on Jobs and Growth has called for an agreement to remove constraints to economic growth between these two entities, resulting in discussion of the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), and

WHEREAS, growth of emerging marketplaces across the globe continues to lessen the share of global GDP attributable to the transatlantic economy, and

WHEREAS, expansion of global trade, especially with member nations of the European Union, is of vital importance to the growth of the economy of the United States, small business participation in the international marketplace, and job creation, and

WHEREAS, this state would benefit greatly from the ratification of a comprehensive TTIP, which would create employment opportunities for Floridians as a direct result of loosening current burdens on trade and free markets, and

WHEREAS, the successful implementation of the TTIP will increase exports to the European Union from this state, and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States of America grants the Congress of the United States sole authority in

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30 regulating commerce with foreign nations, and

31 WHEREAS, the negotiation of a successful Transatlantic  
32 Trade and Investment Partnership will necessarily be a  
33 bipartisan cooperation between state, federal, and foreign  
34 governments, NOW, THEREFORE,

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36 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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38 That successful negotiation in a timely manner by the  
39 Executive Branch of a comprehensive and mutually beneficial  
40 Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership between the  
41 United States and the European Union and its ratification by the  
42 United States Congress is supported.

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be  
44 transmitted to the Florida congressional delegation with a  
45 request that the United States Congress grant trade promotion  
46 authority to the Executive Branch.