

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0009

Support of Taiwan's world health efforts.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Parady, Reese and Simpson
and Senator(s) Kunz and Mockler

A Bill

for

1 **A Joint Resolution** supporting Taiwan's participation in the
2 World Health Organization and recognizing the contributions
3 of Taiwan in public health issues.

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5 **Be it Resolved by the Fifty-Seventh Legislature of the**
6 **State of Wyoming:**

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8 **Whereas**, the direct participation in international health
9 cooperation forums and programs is crucial for all parts of
10 the world, especially given today's great potential for
11 cross-border spread of various infectious diseases; and

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13 **Whereas**, the World Health Organization set forth in its
14 charter the objective of attaining the highest possible
15 level of health for all people; and

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1 **Whereas**, Taiwan's achievements in the field of health care
2 are substantial, including one of the highest life
3 expectancy levels in Asia, maternal and infant mortality
4 rates comparable to those of western countries, eradication
5 of infectious diseases such as cholera, smallpox and
6 plague, being the first Asian nation to eradicate polio and
7 being the first country in the world to provide children
8 with free hepatitis B vaccinations; and

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10 **Whereas**, Taiwan's population of over 23 million persons is
11 larger than that of 75 percent of the World Health
12 Organization member states; and

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14 **Whereas**, in recent years Taiwan has expressed a willingness
15 to financially and technically assist the international aid
16 and health activities supported by the World Health
17 Organization; and

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19 **Whereas**, the United States has expressed repeatedly its
20 intention to support Taiwan's participation in
21 international organizations; and

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23 **Whereas**, the United States Centers for Disease Control and
24 Prevention and its counterpart in Taiwan have enjoyed close

1 collaboration on a wide range of public health issues; and

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3 **Whereas,** Taiwan's participation in the activities of the
4 World Health Organization could bring many benefits to the
5 state of public health in Taiwan, Asia and the world.

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7 **Now Therefore, Be it Resolved by the Undersigned Members of**
8 **the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:**

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10 **Section 1.** That the State of Wyoming wishes to commend
11 Taiwan for its contributions to the field of health care
12 and to the public health.

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14 **Section 2.** That the State of Wyoming strongly supports
15 Taiwan's efforts to be allowed to participate in the
16 activities, forums and programs of the World Health
17 Organization.

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19 **Section 3.** That the Secretary of State transmit copies of
20 this resolution to the President of the United States, the
21 Wyoming Congressional Delegation and the World Health
22 Organization.

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