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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 119

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A Resolution supporting a free trade agreement between
the Republic of China on Taiwan and the United States.

WHEREAS, the Republic of China on Taiwan and the
United States enjoy one of the most important economic
and strategic international relationships that exists
today; and

WHEREAS, together, Taiwan and the United States
promote a shared belief in freedom, democracy, and
market principles; and

WHEREAS, the level of mutual investment between
Taiwan and the United States is substantial; and

WHEREAS, streamlined foreign investment procedures
developed under a free trade agreement between Taiwan
and the United States would create new business
opportunities and new jobs; and

WHEREAS, a free trade agreement between Taiwan and
the United States would encourage greater innovations
and manufacturing efficiencies by stimulating joint
technological development, practical applications, and
new cooperative ventures; and

WHEREAS, a recent study by the United States
International Trade Commission supports the
negotiation of a free trade agreement between Taiwan
and the United States; and

WHEREAS, a free trade agreement between Taiwan and
the United States would build on the existing strong
relations between Taiwan and the United States to

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1 simultaneously boost Taiwan's security and democracy
2 and serve the broader interests of the United States
3 in the Asia-Pacific region; NOW THEREFORE,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
5 That the House of Representatives supports the
6 negotiation of a free trade agreement between the
7 Republic of China on Taiwan and the United States of
8 America; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon adoption, an
10 official copy of this Resolution be prepared and
11 presented to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office
12 located in Chicago, Illinois.

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