

House Resolution 1121

By: Representative Murphy of the 18<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Republic of China on Taiwan on its contributions to promote world health;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, good health is essential to every citizen of the world and access to the highest  
4 standards of health information and services is necessary to improve public health; and

5 WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) set forth in the first chapter of its charter  
6 the objective of attaining the highest possible level of health for all people; and

7 WHEREAS, the Republic of China's achievements in the field of health are substantial,  
8 including one of the highest life expectancy levels in Asia, maternal and infant mortality  
9 rates comparable to those of western countries, the eradication of such infectious diseases as  
10 cholera, smallpox, and the plague, and the first to eradicate polio and provide children with  
11 hepatitis B vaccinations; and

12 WHEREAS, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and its Taiwanese  
13 counterpart have enjoyed close collaboration on a wide range of public health issues; and

14 WHEREAS, in recent years the Republic of China has expressed a willingness to assist  
15 financially and technically in international health activities supported by the WHO; and

16 WHEREAS, direct, unobstructed participation in international health forums and programs  
17 is critical to limit the spread of various infectious diseases and achieve world health.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the efforts of the Republic of China on Taiwan in support of world health are commended  
20 and best wishes are extended for its appropriate participation in the World Health  
21 Organization.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Maggie Tien, Director
- 3 General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Atlanta.