

Sponsor Statement for HJR 50

Support Taiwan in World Health Assembly

“Supporting The Participation Of Taiwan In The Annual Summit Of The World Health Assembly.

Direct participation in international health cooperation forums and programs is crucial for all parts of the world, especially with today’s greater potential for the cross-border spread of various infectious diseases.

The United States House of Representatives passed a resolution in December 2001, urging states to push for Taiwan’s participation in the World Health Assembly’s annual conference.

Taiwan has made substantial achievements in the field of public health while demonstrating a willingness to provide technical and financial assistance to international aid and health activities supported by the [World Health Order](#) (WHO). During the last seven years, Taiwan has contributed \$100 million to 78 countries. A WHO membership is vital to Taiwan in order to gain access to the latest information on epidemics and diseases. While Taiwan has been able to indirectly acquire health information, it is often a case of “too little, too late.”

Taiwan can play a more active role in the international community by assisting other nations in developing health programs and cooperate to fulfill the WHO goal of promoting the health of mankind and a better future of the world.

Through continued communication and collaboration, participation in the WHO could bring many benefits to the state of health not only in Taiwan but also regionally and globally.