

Fifty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

**ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 3024**

Introduced by

Representatives Berg, Boucher

Senators O'Connell, Stenehjem

1 A concurrent resolution urging the United States Secretary of Commerce to complete a
2 Taiwan-United States free trade agreement.

3 **WHEREAS**, Taiwan and the United States enjoy one of the most important economic
4 and strategic international relationships that exist today; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Taiwan and the United States promote shared beliefs in freedom,
6 democracy, and market principles; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Taiwan is the second largest market for hard red spring wheat in the world;
8 and

9 **WHEREAS**, Taiwan imported 23,050,000 bushels of hard red spring wheat in the
10 2003-04 marketing year as a cash customer; and

11 **WHEREAS**, a Taiwan-United States free trade agreement would encourage greater
12 innovation and new cooperative ventures for producers and entrepreneurs of both nations; and

13 **WHEREAS**, a Taiwan-United States free trade agreement would build on the strong
14 relationship between Taiwan and the United States by simultaneously enhancing security and
15 democracy and serving the broader interests of the United States in the Asia-Pacific region;

16 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
17 OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

18 That the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly urges the United States Secretary of
19 Commerce to complete a Taiwan-United States free trade agreement; and

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly is supportive of
21 all efforts to grant Taiwan official observer status at the World Health Assembly because
22 Taiwan has had substantial achievements in the field of health, Taiwan has been a
23 collaborative partner of the United States on a wide range of public health issues, and Taiwan
24 can have a major regional and even global impact on people's health and well-being; and

1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
2 resolution to the President of the United States, the United States Secretary of State, the
3 United States Secretary of Commerce, the United States Secretary of Health and Human
4 Services, the United States Trade Representative, and to each member of the North Dakota
5 Congressional Delegation.