



Republican National Committee

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RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN)

WHEREAS, Taiwan conducted its sixth consecutive democratic presidential election on January 16, 2016, which resulted in the third peaceful transfer of power on the island and the inauguration of the first democratically-elected woman president, Tsai Ing-wen, in the Chinese cultural world;

WHEREAS, President Ma Ying-jeou's leadership proved essential in promoting U.S.-Taiwan relations and maintaining Taiwan as a shining beacon for democracy and freedom in Asia and the new Administration of President Tsai Ing-wen will continue to do so; and

WHEREAS, The Taiwan Relations Act and the Six Assurances serve as the cornerstone of U.S.-Taiwan relations; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee (RNC) congratulates Taiwan on conducting another fair, transparent and free election;

RESOLVED, The RNC recognizes this is an historic event for the free people of Taiwan and Taiwan's multi-party democracy;

RESOLVED, The RNC recognizes that Taiwan's peaceful political transformation from an authoritarian society to a democratic one and the orderly transition from one administration to another should serve as an example for oppressed people everywhere in the world, particularly on the Chinese Mainland;

RESOLVED, The RNC commends Taiwan as a strategic partner, a close ally and a model and advocate of democracy in the Asia-Pacific region;

RESOLVED, The RNC will continue to work with the new President Tsai Ing-wen and her Administration to uphold President Reagan's 1982 "**Six Assurances**" to Taiwan as the cornerstone of United States–Taiwan relations which are the imperative guidelines to conduct relations between the United States and Taiwan and stipulate that:

1. The U.S. has not agreed to set a date for ending arms sales to Taiwan;
2. The U.S. has not agreed to hold prior consultations with the PRC on arms sales to Taiwan;
3. The U.S. will not play any mediation role between Taipei and Beijing;

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4. The U.S. has not agreed to revise the Taiwan Relations Act;
5. The U.S. has not altered its position regarding sovereignty over Taiwan;
6. The U.S. will not exert pressure on Taiwan to negotiate with the PRC;

RESOLVED, The RNC encourages high-level military to military exchanges between the U.S. and Taiwan among uniformed flag officers;

RESOLVED, The RNC salutes America's long-standing ally, Taiwan, with whom the United States shares the common values of freedom, democracy, human rights, a free market economy, and the rule of law;

RESOLVED, The RNC recognizes that America's friendship with the people of Taiwan dates back over seven decades to the dark days of the Second World War when they stood together with us as our Republic of China allies against the world-wide threat of Axis tyranny;

RESOLVED, The RNC calls for the continued sale of sophisticated defensive weapons to Taiwan, including diesel submarines;

RESOLVED, The RNC opposes unilateral steps by either side to alter the status quo in the Taiwan Strait on the principle that all issues regarding the island's future must be resolved peacefully, through dialogue, and be agreeable to the people of Taiwan; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, The RNC continues to support Taiwan's meaningful participation in various international organizations in order to ensure Taiwan's international space as a responsible stakeholder.