

***PROCLAMATION FOR 113<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL DAY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA  
(TAIWAN)***

***WHEREAS***, The Republic of China (Taiwan) observes the 113<sup>th</sup> National Day on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024; and

***WHEREAS***, the United States and Taiwan have maintained close friendship based on the 1979 Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96-8 96<sup>th</sup> Congress), the cornerstone in enhancing bilateral ties between Taiwan and the United States, which commemorates its 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2024; and

***WHEREAS***, Taiwan is the United States' 8<sup>th</sup> largest trading partner, with two-way trade totaling \$127.5 billion in 2023, as well as Florida's 9<sup>th</sup> largest merchandise trade market in the Indo-Pacific region as of 2023; and

***WHEREAS***, the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representatives each passed a resolution on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, expressing support for enhancing bilateral economic ties between the State of Florida and Taiwan, facilitating Taiwan's accession to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) and the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF), and recognizing the signing of the United States-Taiwan Initiative on 21<sup>st</sup>-Century Trade; and

***WHEREAS***, the United States House of Representatives passed the United-States-Taiwan Expedited Double-Tax Relief Act and the United States-Taiwan Tax Agreement Authorization Act on January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024, which is a significant step in advancing the U.S.-Taiwan and Florida-Taiwan economic partnership; and

***WHEREAS***, Taiwan and the United States signed the Memorandum of Understanding on International Development Cooperation on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, which facilitates cooperation between the US International Development Finance Corporation and its partner in Taiwan to collaborate in creative and diverse ways for development cooperation in developing countries;

**WHEREAS**, Taiwan's meaningful participation in numerous international organizations, including the International Civil Aviation Organization, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, and the International Criminal Police Organization would benefit regional development, peace, and prosperity; and

**WHEREAS**, since the establishment of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Miami in 1988, Taiwan has developed multiple sister-state/sister-city relations with Florida, and we are proud to have a 32-year-long sister-state relationship between the State of Florida and Taiwan. We support Taiwan's mission of economic liberalization, democratization and significant international participation;

**NOW THEREFORE, DO WE**, the City of Doral, hereby proclaim this auspicious occasion of October 10, 2024 as the **113<sup>th</sup> Taiwan Day** and in doing so recognize her achievements with our admiration and gratitude.