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Recognizing Expo 2010 Shanghai China and the USA Pavilion at the Expo.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 17, 2010

Mr. Kerry (for himself, Mrs. Feinstein, and Mr. Udall of Colorado) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

May 25, 2010 Reported by Mr. Kerry, without amendment

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas Expo 2010 Shanghai China (Expo 2010) will take place May 1 through October 31, 2010 with the theme "Better City, Better Life";
- Whereas Expo 2010 will be the largest such event in 150 years of Expo history with an estimated 70,000,000 visitors expected to attend, many of them from within China;
- Whereas approximately 192 countries and 52 international organizations will be represented at Expo 2010;

- Whereas Expo 2010 is the first world exposition hosted by China, representing an opportunity for the world to celebrate China's progress over the past 30 years and recognize the aspirations of the people of China to continue the process of "reform and opening up" launched by Chinese Premier Deng Xiao-ping in 1979;
- Whereas Shanghai, the host city of Expo 2010, is the dynamic commercial and financial capital of China, noted in China as a cradle of innovation and openness;
- Whereas Expo 2010 represents an unprecedented opportunity for the United States to promote understanding of American society, culture, ideas, and values with millions of Chinese citizens visiting the USA Pavilion;
- Whereas United States participation in Expo 2010 demonstrates the United States commitment to a forward-looking, positive relationship with China;
- Whereas the USA Pavilion theme "Rising to the Challenge" will entertain and educate audiences on the American spirit of innovation and community-building and celebrate the American ideals of collaboration, freedom, diversity, openness, optimism, achievement, and opportunity;
- Whereas Expo 2010 will emphasize sound environmental conservation practices, including a solar energy system that will produce 5 megawatts of power and large rooftop canopies to collect rainwater to be purified for drinking;
- Whereas support for the USA Pavilion's construction, staffing, operation, and thematic presentations was provided completely by private-sector and other partners consistent with United States law; and

Whereas many of the USA Pavilion's sponsoring partners are also playing an active role in the beneficial development of China's economy and society: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That—

- 2 (1) the Senate congratulates the people of 3 China for hosting Expo 2010 and wishes them every 4 success with this endeavor;
 - (2) it is the sense of the Senate that Expo 2010 constitutes an important step along the over 30-year path of reform and opening up in China, and serves as a significant reminder of what can be accomplished if China continues along this path;
 - (3) the Senate calls on the sponsors and operators of the USA Pavilion to make maximum use of this unique opportunity to showcase the very best attributes that the United States has to offer and to strengthen the cultural, scientific, educational, people-to-people, trade, and investment links between the people of the United States and the people of China; and
 - (4) the Senate acknowledges the more than 60 private-sector and other sponsor partners of the USA Pavilion for their invaluable contributions to the success of this important project and for providing a positive example of public-private partnerships.

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