H. CON. RES. 354

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 15, 2000

Mr. Sessions (for himself, Mr. Burton of Indiana, Mr. Rohrabacher, Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas, Mr. Manzullo, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Radanovich, Mr. Ehrlich, Mr. Armey, and Mr. Delay) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Commending Ambassador Stephen S.F. Chen for his many years of distinguished service to the Republic of China on Taiwan and for his friendship with the people of the United States.

- Whereas Ambassador Stephen S.F. Chen of Taiwan has been a member of the diplomatic service of the Republic of China on Taiwan over a period of 47 years;
- Whereas Ambassador Chen has represented Taiwan in such countries as the Philippines, Brazil, Argentina, Bolivia, and the United States;
- Whereas Ambassador Chen has held a number of important positions in Taiwan, including the positions of Vice For-

eign Minister and Deputy Secretary-General to President Lee Teng-hui;

- Whereas Ambassador Chen's many years of service in the United States include appointments as Taiwan's Consul-General in Atlanta (1973 to 1979) and as Director of the Coordination Council for North American Affairs in Chicago (1980 to 1982) and Los Angeles (1988 to 1989);
- Whereas Ambassador Chen has served with distinction as the senior diplomat of Taiwan in the United States since 1997, when he became the Representative of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the District of Columbia; and
- Whereas Ambassador Chen has been a staunch friend of the people of the United States and a determined advocate of closer ties between Taiwan and the United States, and has earned the respect and genuine affection of many Members of Congress: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 concurring), That the Congress—
 - 3 (1) commends Ambassador Stephen S.F. Chen
 - 4 for his many years of distinguished service to the
 - 5 Republic of China on Taiwan;
 - 6 (2) expresses appreciation to Ambassador Ste-
 - 7 phen S.F. Chen for his friendship with the people of
 - 8 the United States; and

1 (3) extends the best wishes of the Congress to 2 Ambassador Chen and his family on the occasion of 3 his retirement.

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