United States Senate

June 8, 2018

President Donald J. Trump The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

We thank you for signing the *Taiwan Travel Act* into law on March 16, 2018. This important law encourages high-level officials, including Cabinet-level national security officials, general officers, and other executive branch officials, to travel to Taiwan. In order to fully implement the *Taiwan Travel Act*, we urge you to send a Cabinet-level official to the opening of the American Institute in Taiwan's (AIT) new compound on June 12, 2018.

Taiwan is not only an important economic and security partner, but also a strong ally of the United States. It is everything we want for the Indo-Pacific region, a vibrant democracy with a prosperous free-market economy. AIT's new office will be more than just a building. It will serve as a tangible symbol of the enduring friendship between Washington, D.C. and Taipei, a relationship that you strongly reaffirmed in the 2017 *National Security Strategy*.

We believe this is an important moment for your administration to send a Cabinet-level official to Taipei as Beijing increases its pressure on Taiwan both at home and abroad. This will demonstrate our unwavering commitment to one of our strongest democratic partners in the region.

Sincerely,

Marco Rubio U.S. Senator

James M. Inhofe U.S. Senator

Cory Gardner

U.S. Senator

John Cornyn

U.S. Senator

CC: Secretary of State Mike Pompeo