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2019 SENATE RESOLUTION 7

March 26, 2020 - Introduced by Senator ROTH. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** acknowledging that the Communist Party of China deliberately and
2 intentionally misled the world on the Wuhan Coronavirus and standing in
3 solidarity with the Chinese people to condemn the actions of the Communist
4 Party of China.

5 Whereas, the State of Wisconsin is currently in a state of emergency due to the
6 rising spread of the Coronavirus that originated in the Wuhan Province of China, as
7 the number of infected individuals in Wisconsin rose to over 700 and also consisted
8 of 8 deaths as of March 26, 2020; and

9 Whereas, the Chinese people are a great people, and heirs to one of the greatest
10 civilizations in human history, held hostage by a brutal and oppressive regime these
11 past 70 years; and

12 Whereas, the Communist Party of China has engaged in a continued pattern
13 of human and natural rights abuses perpetrated by the country's communist
14 administration, including the Communist Party's treatment of Tibet, the internment
15 and "reeducation" of 1.5 million Muslim Uyghurs in concentration camps, the

1 enactment of a one-child policy responsible for aborting hundreds of millions of
2 children, the majority of them female, a record of organ harvesting and forced
3 sterilization, crackdown on the Tiananmen protests, and restrictions on individual
4 expression and religious practice; and

5 Whereas, the Communist Party of China has repeatedly demonstrated a lack
6 of interest in respecting international norms, including a history of currency
7 manipulation, intellectual property theft, and restricting Chinese market access,
8 while receiving the condemnation of numerous American Presidents and Legislators
9 from both political parties for these practices; and

10 Whereas, the Communist Party of China, led by President Xi Jinping, has
11 moved to consolidate power, scrapping term limits to create a de facto life term for
12 the President of China and continually squashing democratic-based initiatives in
13 and outside of mainland China; and

14 Whereas, the Chinese government is currently engaging in a barrage of
15 misinformation throughout all corners of the globe, attempting to pass off the
16 responsibility of their negligent and reckless response to the virus; and

17 Whereas, the Chinese government has imprisoned their own citizens who
18 dared disseminate accurate information on the Coronavirus, destroyed early
19 samples of the virus, refused to release timely and accurate information on the virus,
20 and continued to allow infected individuals to leave the Wuhan Province after
21 reasonable evidence of person-to-person contamination was present; and

22 Whereas, reports have indicated that had the Chinese Government acted in a
23 more efficient, transparent, and responsible way, cases worldwide of the virus may
24 have been limited by 95 percent; and

1 Whereas, on February 5, 2020, the first confirmed case of Coronavirus was
2 identified in Wisconsin; and

3 Whereas, on February 26, 2020, and again on March 10, 2020, the Chinese
4 Consulate reached out to the Wisconsin Senate President requesting that the Senate
5 pass a resolution — ***written by the Chinese Consulate*** — including propaganda
6 and falsehoods such as:

7 “China has been ***transparent and quick*** in sharing key information of the
8 virus with the WHO and the international community, thus creating a ***window of***
9 ***opportunity*** for other countries to make timely response”

10 Whereas, the Wisconsin State Senate deems it necessary and prudent to
11 combat the spread of misinformation propagated by the Communist Party of China
12 and the need to push back on the claims that the virus originated anywhere but
13 China; now, therefore, be it

14 ***Resolved by the senate, That*** the Wisconsin Senate acknowledges that the
15 Communist Party of China has deliberately and intentionally misled the world,
16 suppressed vital information on the statistics and spread of the Wuhan Coronavirus
17 both domestically and abroad, allowed millions of individuals to travel outside of the
18 province and country despite clear warnings that the virus could be transmitted
19 person-to-person, and engaged in active suppression and persecution of individuals
20 looking to truthfully discuss information related to the Coronavirus, which has led
21 to a global pandemic the likes of which has not been seen for generations; and, be it
22 further

23 ***Resolved, That*** the Wisconsin Senate hereby stands in solidarity with the
24 Chinese people, condemning the actions of the Communist Party of China in the
25 strongest possible terms, and acknowledges that millions, both in China and around

1 the world, are at risk of illness and death due to the negligence and hostile actions
2 of the Chinese Communist Party.

3 (END)