Thank Congressman Michael McCaul for his strong support of Taiwan 台美人感謝美國聯邦眾議員 Michael McCaul

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去年 2019 台灣海內外興奮著美國將賣 66 架 F16-V 給台灣. 美國的 '台灣之友' 國會衆議員,外交委員會 共和黨首席麥考爾(Rep. Michael McCaul, R-TX) 是主要推手之一. 他在 FOX NEWS 還說 "don't mess with Texas,' don't mess with Taiwan." 今年 2020 五月他也和其他 204 位國會議員寫信要求 WHO 讓台灣以觀查員參與 WHA. 他是 共和黨'China Task Force'主席. 七月接受美國之因(Voice of America) 專訪時 直言對中國「最嚴厲的懲罰措施就是承認台灣作為一個獨立國家的合法性」.

我寫了篇有關 McCaul 支持台灣的短文,當然我也藉機宣揚台灣. 結果 短文及去年我們台美人和 McCaul 合照的照片被放在 Congressman McCaul 8-3-2020 blog 上.

## Tweets by @McCaulforTexas



Today on the Blog: Thank you, Congressman McCaul, for standing up to Communist China

"As a proud Taiwanese American, I wholeheartedly appreciate and am grateful for Congressman McCaul's leadership and his strong support of Taiwan." #TX10 michaelmccaul.com/blog-stand-up-...

## 短文如下:

## Thank you, Congressman McCaul, for standing up to Communist China

As a Taiwanese American, I would like to deeply thank Congressman McCaul for his strong support of Taiwan and for standing up to Communist China's bullying. The CCP attempts to dominate its neighbors and spread its communist vision, including by conquering the free and democratic Taiwan. Taiwan is one of the richest places in the world and a major global trading hub. Its success comes down to freedom and the rule of law, which are values America shares.

In July 2019, Congressman McCaul stated on Fox News that the U.S. \$2.2 billion arms sale to Taiwan sends a very strong message to China. Congressman McCaul affirmed that the U.S. is "going to arm Taiwan so she can defend herself from what's

become a very aggressive Chinese Communist Party right on the doorstep." He said: "don't mess with Texas,' don't mess with Taiwan."

During the COVID-19 pandemic, despite its proximity to China, Taiwan has seen only 467 cases and seven deaths (as of July 31st). Yet China opposes Taiwan's participation in the World Health Organization (WHO), the WHO has taken China's side. I am grateful that in May, Congressman McCaul and 204 Congressmen sent a letter to the Director-General of the WHO calling for Taiwan's inclusion in the WHO. The letter states that by all accounts Taiwan has mounted one of the best responses of any country to the pandemic.

In recent months, the Chinese navy has held major military drills near the island. Chinese air force jets have flown into Taiwan's airspace. In an interview with Voice of America (VOA) earlier this month, Congressman McCaul pointed out that the U.S. has no desire to engage in a military conflict with the CCP but that it will not hesitate to condemn human rights violations and support democracy in Taiwan. McCaul emphasized that Washington would not allow Beijing's crackdown on Hong Kong to be repeated in Taiwan. As the ranking Republican on the U.S. House Foreign Affairs Committee, Congressman McCaul said he believes recognizing Taiwan as a sovereign, independent country would be the harshest punishment that the U.S. could impose on Beijing.

I know Congressman McCaul will continue to do everything he can to support freedom in Taiwan while protecting our economic prosperity and ideals here in Austin from the tentacles of the Chinese Communist Party.

As a proud Taiwanese American, I whole-heartedly appreciate and am grateful for Congressman McCaul's leadership and his strong support of Taiwan.

-Pearl Wu, Central Texas Formosan Association for Public Affairs President



Congressman Michael McCaul and Pearl with members of FAPA TX-C, August 2019