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State of California

Joint Statement/Declaration on Friendship, Economic Development and Climate Change

by State of California ("California") and

the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries ("China")

California and China share a long history of successful collaboration, in a range of topics including trade and investment, climate change, energy and environment; and continued subnational collaboration between the United States and China is instrumental to a stable, sustainable and mutually beneficial bilateral relationship.

To enhance the bilateral relationship and foster collaboration, California and China agree to establish the California-China Program, coordinated by the California Governor's Office and the Chinese Friendship Association, to be affiliated with the U.S.-China Governors Forum, aiming to build regular dialogue between California and Chinese subnational counterparts to discuss the critical issues of mutual interest outlined above. The California-China Program will facilitate a yearly US-China Subnational Climate Dialogue, jointly established, on September 12 of 2018, at the Global Climate Action Summit.

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