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Rep. Allen Returns from Trade Trip to Taiwan

Representative Scott Allen (R-Waukesha) joined a Midwestern delegation of legislators on a trip focused on relations with the Republic of China, also known as Taiwan. The trip, paid for by the Taiwanese government, at no expense to Wisconsin taxpayers, was from August 4-12, and included representatives and senators from Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, and Wisconsin.

"Taiwan is an important economic trading partner, not only for Wisconsin, but the United States," said Rep. Allen. "We may be a half a world apart, but our shared values of hard work and free markets close that gap."

The itinerary included several meetings each day with various agencies and high-ranking government officials in Taiwan. The legislative delegation met with officials from the Mainland Affairs Council, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Republic of China Legislature, Ministry of Transportation and Communications, Ministry of Foreign Trade, and the Ministry of Health and Welfare.

Taiwan is home to Foxconn, which is currently building more than \$10 billion in high-tech facilities around Wisconsin to manufacture high-tech products, and will be employing an estimated 13,000 people.

Also, the delegation met with officials from the Hsinchu Science Park where research and development work is performed on semiconductors as well as integrated circuit technology and with the leadership of a start-up technology company called U-Gym.

Rep. Allen will be hosting an informational session at the Waukesha Public Library on September 27, 2018 from 5:30 to 6:30 PM where he will share photos and stories from his trip. Those interested in attending are asked to register by email at rep.allen@legis.wi.gov or 888-534-0097.

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