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## House Welcomes Honorary Consul of Germany to Discuss Trade, Economic Opportunities

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** –State Representative David Cook, Chairman of the House International Trade Committee released the following statement after the House welcomed [Carolyn Gey](#), Honorary Consul of the Federal Republic of Germany in Arizona:

**“Following a successful bipartisan legislative trade delegation to Germany and subsequent opening of Arizona’s regional trade office in Frankfurt last year, our state continues to boost trade ties with Germany.**

**“I was pleased to join Speaker Ben Toma and Representative Justin Wilmeth (Vice Chair of the House International Trade Committee) in welcoming the Honorable Carolyn Gey to the Arizona House of Representatives. We discussed the positive developments that will serve to promote our shared economic interests and advance trade opportunities between us.**

**“Arizona and the State of Hesse have much to offer each other. In 2021 alone, Arizona’s exports to Germany exceeded \$550 million, and Arizona imported more than \$900 million in goods and services from Germany, much of which involves high-tech and aerospace.**

**“All of this helps create jobs and wealth for our people and is essential to keep driving Arizona’s economy forward. I believe we’re just beginning to tap the potential that exists.”**

*David Cook is a Republican member of the Arizona House of Representatives serving Legislative District 7, which includes Pinal, Gila, Coconino, and Navajo Counties. He is Chairman of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee and the House International Trade Committee. Follow him on Twitter at @RepDavidCook.*

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