
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE ENTRANCE OF MEN INTO THE NURSING FIELD.

1 WHEREAS, the federal government estimates that the nursing
2 industry is short more than one hundred forty thousand nurses
3 this year, and that by 2020, the shortage is expected to rise to
4 eight hundred thousand; and

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6 WHEREAS, an untapped source for recruiting future nurses is
7 men, who currently make up only six per cent of the nursing
8 force, but despite their small numbers have excellent
9 reputations, earn good salaries, and are greatly respected
10 leaders in the profession; and

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12 WHEREAS, nursing offers men job security because more than
13 ninety per cent of 2005 nursing graduates found jobs; and

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15 WHEREAS, nursing also offers men good salaries, which can
16 start at \$40,000, with nursing specialists capable of earning
17 \$100,000; and

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19 WHEREAS, the nursing profession has evolved over the years
20 into a complex and challenging field and offers avenues of
21 employment to positions in healthcare administration; and

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23 WHEREAS, to encourage men to enter the field of nursing, a
24 concerted promotional effort is needed at the postsecondary
25 educational level to attract men into the field of nursing, such
26 as but not limited to campus visits by nursing professionals,
27 scholarships, internships, low interest student loans, and
28 student housing assistance; now, therefore,

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30 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
31 Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
32 of 2006, the Senate concurring, that the School of Nursing of
33 the University of Hawaii, in collaboration with other agencies



1 of government and the private sector, is respectfully requested
2 to encourage the entrance of men into the nursing field; and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
5 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President and the
6 Chairperson of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii,
7 and the Chairperson of the state Board of Nursing.
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