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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR TO ALLOW AND APPROVE  
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MEMORIAL AT A SUITABLE LOCATION  
WITHIN KALAUPAPA NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK ON THE ISLAND OF  
MOLOKAI TO HONOR AND PERPETUATE THE MEMORY OF THOSE  
INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE FORCIBLY RELOCATED TO THE KALAUPAPA  
PENINSULA FROM 1866 TO 1969.

1 WHEREAS, from 1866 to 1969, people from Hawaii afflicted  
2 with Hansen's disease were forced to relocate to the remote  
3 northern Kalaupapa peninsula on the island of Molokai; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the churches of Siloama, established in 1866 and  
6 St. Philomena, begun in 1872, and associated with the work of  
7 Father Damien (Joseph DeVeuster) are located at Kalawao. Father  
8 Damien's life and death among his people focused the attention  
9 of the world on the problem of Hansen's disease and the plight  
10 of its victims; and  
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12 WHEREAS, situated on the leeward side of the peninsula,  
13 Kalaupapa Settlement is still home for several surviving  
14 Hansen's disease patients whose memories and experiences are  
15 cherished. Once a community in isolation, Kalaupapa now serves  
16 as a place for education and contemplation and the site became a  
17 national park in 1980 dedicated to preserving the memories and  
18 lessons of the past; and  
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20 WHEREAS, Ka `Ohana O Kalaupapa is a nonprofit organization  
21 consisting of patient residents at Kalaupapa National Historical  
22 Park and their family members and friends; now, therefore,  
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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
25 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
26 Session of 2007, the Senate concurring, that the Secretary of  
27 the Interior is requested to allow and approve the establishment  
28 of a memorial at a suitable location within Kalaupapa National



1 Historical Park by Ka `Ohana O Kalaupapa on the island of  
 2 Molokai to honor and perpetuate the memory of those individuals  
 3 who were forcibly relocated to the Kalaupapa peninsula from 1866  
 4 to 1969; and

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 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Interior  
 7 is requested to have the memorial display in an appropriate  
 8 manner the names of the:

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 10 (1) First five thousand individuals sent to the Kalaupapa  
 11 peninsula between 1866 and 1896, most of whom lived at  
 12 Kalawao; and  
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 14 (2) Approximately three thousand individuals who arrived  
 15 at Kalaupapa in the second part of its history, when  
 16 most of the community was concentrated on the  
 17 Kalaupapa side of the peninsula; and  
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 20 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the  
 21 United States and the Secretary of the Interior.  
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OFFERED BY:




