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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE KAILUA HIGH SCHOOL SURFRIDER ROBOTICS TEAM FOR ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE 2006 FIFTH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL STUDENT REMOTELY OPERATED VEHICLE (ROV) COMPETITION AND FOR WINNING THE HAWAII STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN THE 2006 HAWAII UNDERWATER ROBOTIC COMPETITION.

1 WHEREAS, the KAILUA HIGH SCHOOL SURFRIDER ROBOTICS TEAM has 2 spent hours on end preparing for the rigors of competition in 3 challenges that both increase one's knowledge of the ocean as a 4 source of energy and food, and help one's development of 5 technical problem-solving and teamwork abilities; and

7 WHEREAS, the KAILUA HIGH SCHOOL SURFRIDER ROBOTICS TEAM has 8 distinguished itself by placing in the top ten in the 9 prestigious annual International Student ROV Competition that 10 was held in June 2006, at the National Aeronautics and Space 11 Administration's Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas; and 12

13 WHEREAS, the team participating in the international 14 challenge entered an 18-pound, remotely operated vehicle (ROV) 15 with a stainless steel frame, named Mano Kihikihi, or hammerhead 16 shark, that was constructed under the direction of science 17 teacher, David Izumi; and

WHEREAS, the ROV's mission was to take an electronic module
to the bottom of a pool and accomplish several tasks, and the
team was able to complete the mission in just 10 minutes,
defeating dozens of teams; and

WHEREAS, the KAILUA HIGH SCHOOL SURFRIDER ROBOTICS TEAM has once again been invited to compete in the annual competition in June 2007, this time in Newfoundland, and the challenge will involve conducting underwater experiments that relate to solar icecaps; and



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1 WHEREAS, the KAILUA HIGH SCHOOL SURFRIDER ROBOTICS TEAM has 2 also proved its mettle by winning the state championship in the 3 Hawaii Underwater Robotic Competition that was held in November 4 2006, at the Duke Kahanamoku pool on the University of Hawaii at 5 Manoa campus; and

7 WHEREAS, the team that participated in this regional
8 challenge performed tremendously well in each of the missions
9 that involved exploration of the National Whale Sanctuary in the
10 Northwestern Hawaiian Islands, as well as in its presentation of
11 the engineering and technical report; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 13 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular 14 Session of 2007, that this body hereby commends and 15 congratulates the KAILUA HIGH SCHOOL SURFRIDER ROBOTICS TEAM and 16 its teacher, David Izumi, for their outstanding achievements and 17 contributions to the field of marine technology, and extends its 18 warmest aloha and best wishes for continued success in all 19 future endeavors. 20

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