THE SENATE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2007 STATE OF HAWAII S.R. NO. 88

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SENATE RESOLUTION

HONORING AND MAINTAINING THE USS ARIZONA MARINE CORPS REMEMBRANCE IN ITS CURRENT LOCATION.

WHEREAS, the USS ARIZONA Marine Corps Remembrance was 1 created and dedicated in November of 2005 at Pearl Harbor Navy 2 Base Hawaii, honoring the 88 Marines who served on the USS 3 ARIZONA as well as the 73 Marines who are still entombed; and 4 5 WHEREAS, this seven ton bronze monument honors all sea-6 7 going Marines, who have been an integral part of the Department of the Navy since 10 November 1775; and 8 9 WHEREAS, the Marine Remembrance dedicated by General 10 Michael Hagee, 33rd Commandant of the Marine Corps, is a salute 11 to an indomitable spirit of the Navy Marine Corps team; and 12 13 WHEREAS, on 10 November 2005, General Hagee gave a 14 15 compelling quote that was felt by all "when I see the Navy and Marine Flags flying high over this memorial....my heart swells"; 16 17 and 18 WHEREAS, our Corps of Marines are fighting and dying on a 19 continuing basis in foreign lands; and 20 21 WHEREAS, there has been an absence of recognition for the 22 Marine Corps contributions at Pearl Harbor for many years; and 23 24 25 WHEREAS, this Marine Remembrance is in the perfect location, overlooking their entombed shipmates from 7 December 26 1941, Day of Infamy; and 27 28 WHEREAS, Marines today have their promotion and retirement 29 celebrations at this hallowed site, overlooking the USS ARIZONA; 30 31 and 32 WHEREAS, this Marine Remembrance is owned and maintained by 33 the Armed Services YMCA, which is a venerable and long honored 34 organization, and this Remembrance was funded with private 35 donations and erected by Marine Corps veterans; and 36



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1 WHEREAS, a docent program now educates Pearl Harbor Navy 2 guest on the history of sea-going Marines serving on all major 3 Navy ships; now, therefore, 4 5 6 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fourth 7 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2007, that this Marine Remembrance be honored and revered in its 8 9 current location in perpetuity; and 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 11 Resolution be transmitted to General Jim Conway, Lt. General 12 John Goodman, Brigadier General Steve Hummer, Department of the 13 Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorn, and the Director of the 14 National Park Service Mary Bomar. 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 OFFERED BY:

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