
HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING MITCHELL OTANI AS HAWAII'S 2007 NATIONAL DISTINGUISHED PRINCIPAL; DR. JOHN BRUMMEL AS HAWAII'S NOMINEE FOR NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND METLIFE NATIONAL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR; AND AINA HAINA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ALA WAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND HOLUALOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AS THE 2008 BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS OF THE STATE OF HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, in light of the important role the public
2 education system plays in building Hawaii's future, it is always
3 the pleasure and privilege of the Hawaii State House of
4 Representatives to recognize those exceptional individuals who
5 have made significant achievements in the profession of
6 education and have thus inspired our state's youth and otherwise
7 encouraged and involved people in surrounding communities; and

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9 WHEREAS, MITCHELL OTANI, who has been a principal at
10 Kaneohe Elementary School since 1991, has created a professional
11 learning community in which best practices are shared, high
12 standards prevail, teacher leaders are nurtured, and systems and
13 teams are in place, laying the foundation for student
14 achievement and earning him recognition as Hawaii's 2007
15 National Distinguished Principal; and

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17 WHEREAS, as principal at Mililani High School, DR. JOHN
18 BRUMMEL has proven himself as an outstanding secondary school
19 leader by ensuring high-quality learning opportunities for
20 students, and has been chosen as Hawaii's nominee for National
21 Association of Secondary School Principals and MetLife National
22 Principal of the Year; and

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24 WHEREAS, through their dedication and commitment to serving
25 our children in the schools, MITCHELL OTANI and DR. JOHN BRUMMEL
26 have proven themselves worthy of being honored as inspirational
27 principals and role models for our public school community; and



1 WHEREAS, AINA HAINA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL provides a learning
 2 community in which new and emerging technologies are
 3 incorporated into the curriculum, ensuring that every student
 4 has access to the extensive technology resources and services
 5 available; and

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 7 WHEREAS, ALA WAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, which despite having a
 8 population of students of which nearly 36 percent are English
 9 for Second Language Learners and over 60 percent receive free-
 10 or reduced-price lunches, has helped its students achieve high
 11 educational goals; and

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 13 WHEREAS, HOLUALOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, which serves a native
 14 Hawaiian student population that makes up at least 30 percent of
 15 the student body, has inspired the dedication of its teachers,
 16 administrators, parents, and students to learning, and has thus
 17 been recognized for its academic excellence; and

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 19 WHEREAS, AINA HAINA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ALA WAI ELEMENTARY
 20 SCHOOL, and HOLUALOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL have been named Hawaii's
 21 2008 Blue Ribbon Schools for their significant progress in
 22 closing the achievement gap and inspiring and guiding its
 23 students to achieve at the highest levels; now, therefore,

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 25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 26 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
 27 Session of 2008, that this body hereby recognizes,
 28 congratulates, and honors MITCHELL OTANI for being recognized as
 29 Hawaii's 2007 National Distinguished Principal; DR. JOHN BRUMMEL
 30 for being chosen Hawaii's nominee for National Association of
 31 Secondary School Principals and MetLife National Principal of
 32 the Year; and AINA HAINA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ALA WAI ELEMENTARY
 33 SCHOOL, and HOLUALOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL on being named Hawaii's
 34 2008 Blue Ribbon Schools, and extends them all its most sincere
 35 mahalo for a job well done.

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