
HOUSE RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND HONORING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE SMALL BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION'S 2008 SMALL BUSINESS AWARDS.

1 WHEREAS, while the natural beauty of Hawaii is recognized
2 throughout the world, the real beauty of our island-state lies
3 in its people who, through their personal and professional
4 relationships, have dedicated their efforts to serve the needs
5 of the people of Hawaii and create the prosperity and high
6 standards of living which we all enjoy; and
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8 WHEREAS, Hawaii's small business owners represent an
9 essential component of our economy, providing critical jobs and
10 generating much-needed revenue and business activity for our
11 State; and
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13 WHEREAS, the Small Business Administration (SBA) is a
14 federal agency dedicated to assisting those unique individuals
15 who have the energy, vision, and work ethic to manage and lead
16 their own small businesses; and
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18 WHEREAS, each year, in addition to all of its programs and
19 activities designed to promote and protect small businesses, the
20 SBA recognizes the accomplishments and achievements of those
21 outstanding small business owners and leaders who display the
22 highest levels of entrepreneurial spirit by selecting recipients
23 for its Small Business Awards; and
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25 WHEREAS, the Small Business Awards encompass a wide variety
26 of categories relating to small business, including export
27 businesses, family-owned businesses, home-based businesses,
28 journalism, and financial services, among others; and
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30 WHEREAS, recipients of the Small Business Awards have
31 demonstrated the highest levels of hard work and commitment,
32 willingness to assist others in their trade or in their



1 community, innovation and creativity, and resiliency in the face
2 of adversity; now, therefore,
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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
5 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
6 Session of 2008, that this body hereby commends and honors the
7 following recipients of the Small Business Administration's 2008
8 Small Business Awards: BEVERLY GANNON, Small Business Person of
9 the Year Award; THOMAS PARK, Young Entrepreneur of the Year
10 Award; DAVID FELL, Small Business Exporter of the Year Award;
11 JONATHAN OTA, Family-Owned Small Business of the Year Award;
12 WILLIAM SPENCER, Financial Services Champion of the Year Award;
13 PAMELA TUMPAP, Small Business Journalist of the Year Award;
14 JOHNSON CHOI, Minority Small Business Champion of the Year
15 Award; REX MATSUNO, Entrepreneurial Success Award; and JOANN
16 SEERY, Women in Business Champion of the Year Award.
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