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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE  
OF HAWAII AND THE ISLANDS OF POLYNESIA.

1           WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii is actively seeking to expand  
2 its international ties and has an abiding interest in developing  
3 goodwill, friendship, and economic relations between the people  
4 of Hawaii and the people of the many nations and territories  
5 comprising Polynesia; and  
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7           WHEREAS, as part of its effort to achieve this goal, Hawaii  
8 has established a number of sister-state agreements with  
9 provinces in the Pacific region; and  
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11           WHEREAS, because of the historical relationship between the  
12 United States and the islands of Polynesia, there continue to  
13 exist valid reasons to promote international friendship and  
14 understanding for the mutual benefit of all of the nations and  
15 territories to achieve lasting peace and prosperity as it serves  
16 all of their common interests; and  
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18           WHEREAS, there are historical precedents exemplifying the  
19 common desire to maintain a close cultural, commercial, and  
20 financial bridge between Polynesians living in Hawaii with their  
21 relatives, friends, and business counterparts in the islands of  
22 Polynesia; and  
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24           WHEREAS, a relationship between Hawaii and the islands of  
25 Polynesia would reinforce and cement this common bridge for  
26 understanding and mutual assistance between all of its people;  
27 now, therefore,  
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29           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
30 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
31 Session of 2008, that the Governor is requested to take action  
32 to establish a relationship between Hawaii and the islands of  
33 Polynesia; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor is requested to  
2 keep this body fully informed of the process in establishing the  
3 relationship and to be involved in its formalization; and  
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
6 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States  
7 and the Governor.  
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