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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO AUTHORIZE THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL MONUMENT FOR WOMEN IN  
WASHINGTON, D.C., TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE LEADERSHIP  
CONTRIBUTIONS OF AMERICA'S WOMEN.

1 WHEREAS, the 2007 International Women's Leadership  
2 Conference, hosted by the State of Hawaii, inspired and  
3 empowered women to deepen their understanding of what it means  
4 to be a woman leader; and

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6 WHEREAS, the group of women presenters at the International  
7 Women's Leadership Conference were chosen for their exemplary  
8 leadership, including business and government executives,  
9 community organization directors, and scientific experts from  
10 all over the world; and

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12 WHEREAS, the International Women's Leadership Conference  
13 raised the awareness of women in business, government service,  
14 and countless other professions to higher sights, higher  
15 standards, and exciting and attainable future goals; and

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17 WHEREAS, particularly for women in Hawaii, the  
18 International Women's Leadership Conference helped them to  
19 realize their potential and collective strength to perform  
20 successfully in leadership positions in their own communities;  
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23 WHEREAS, the International Women's Leadership Conference  
24 focused on developing strong leadership skills in women by  
25 encouraging each conference participant to explore ideas and  
26 reach out in home communities to make a difference, day by day;  
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29 WHEREAS, today's women shall bequeath their talents,  
30 education, wisdom, leadership skills, and the fruits of their  
31 successes to the coming generations, encouraging and enabling



1 women, especially young professionals and students, to reach for  
2 the stars; and

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4 WHEREAS, in addition to private and government sector women  
5 leaders, the military has had its share of women leaders from  
6 the Revolutionary War to the present who have performed  
7 courageously in a wide variety of duties; and

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9 WHEREAS, women in the United States have taken leadership  
10 roles in every major field of endeavor, often while  
11 simultaneously supporting and nurturing families; and

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13 WHEREAS, a November 20, 2000, article in *Business Week*  
14 *Online*, stated that, by and large, studies show that women  
15 executives, when rated by their peers, subordinates, and bosses,  
16 score higher than their male counterparts on a wide variety of  
17 measures--from producing high-quality work to goal-setting to  
18 mentoring employees; and

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20 WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 40 United States Code Section  
21 8903, Congressional authorization is necessary to establish  
22 commemorative works, defined under section 8902 to include  
23 memorials in the District of Columbia, to "reflect a consensus  
24 of the lasting national significance of the subjects involved"  
25 (40 U.S.C. § 8901); and

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27 WHEREAS, a national monument in Washington, D.C., dedicated  
28 to recognizing and honoring the leadership contributions of  
29 America's women is an ideal means of enshrining the past  
30 achievements of women leaders and inspiring future women  
31 leaders; now, therefore,

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33 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fourth  
34 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008, the  
35 House of Representatives concurring, that the United States  
36 Congress is requested to authorize the establishment of a  
37 National Monument for Women in Washington, D.C., to recognize  
38 and honor the leadership contributions of America's women; and

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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
41 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the  
42 United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of  
43 Representatives, the Governor of Hawaii, and Hawaii's  
44 congressional delegation.

