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# SENATE RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE "DIVIDED WE FAIL" CAMPAIGN.

1           WHEREAS, affordable access to health care and long-term  
2 financial security are basic needs that all Hawaii residents  
3 share; and  
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5           WHEREAS, 57 percent of adult residents over the age of 18  
6 in Hawaii believe that health care and long-term care in Hawaii  
7 are in a state of crisis, or have major problems; and  
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9           WHEREAS, all of Hawaii's people should have choices when it  
10 comes to long-term care, allowing them to maintain their  
11 independence at home or in their communities with expanded and  
12 affordable financing options; and  
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14           WHEREAS, Hawaii's residents should also be provided with  
15 financial incentives to save, have access to effective  
16 retirement plans, and be able to keep working and contributing  
17 to society regardless of age; and  
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19           WHEREAS, Americans of all ages should have access to tools  
20 to help manage their finances and save for the future, as well  
21 as to concise, easy-to-understand information to help them  
22 increase their financial literacy and manage their money wisely;  
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25           WHEREAS, individuals, businesses, health care providers,  
26 nonprofit organizations, and government must work together to  
27 find solutions to these issues; and  
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29           WHEREAS, the American Association of Retired Persons  
30 (AARP), Business Roundtable, National Federation of Independent  
31 Businesses, and the Service Employees International Union have  
32 committed to launching the "Divided We Fail" campaign, an effort  
33 that engages millions of Americans to call upon their elected  
34 leaders to work together across party lines to provide answers,  
35 action, and accountability on these issues; now, therefore,  
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# S.R. NO. 83

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fourth  
2 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008,  
3 that this body joins Hawaii's Congressional delegation in  
4 supporting the "Divided We Fail" campaign; and

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6 BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the mayors and county council  
7 of each county are also urged to support the "Divided We Fail"  
8 campaign; and

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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
11 Resolution be transmitted to each member of Hawaii's  
12 Congressional delegation, the Governor, mayor of each county in  
13 Hawaii, county council chair for each county in Hawaii,  
14 President of AARP, President of the Business Roundtable, Chair  
15 of the National Federation of Independent Businesses, and the  
16 President of the Service Employees International Union.

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