
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE OF HAWAII'S BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CHANGE THE SCHOOL NAME OF NOELANI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO PRESIDENT BARACK HUSSEIN OBAMA II ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND/OR TO CHANGE THE SCHOOL NAME OF PRESIDENT WILLIAM MCKINLEY HIGH SCHOOL TO PRESIDENT BARACK HUSSEIN OBAMA II HIGH SCHOOL.

1 WHEREAS, it is of great significance that a kama'āina son of
2 Hawai'i, born and raised in the Hawaiian Islands be elected as
3 the 44th president of the United States of America; and
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5 WHEREAS, on January 20, 2009, marked the inauguration of
6 President Barack Hussein Obama II as the 44th president of the
7 United States of America; and
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9 WHEREAS, an appropriate tribute to mark the election of the
10 first U.S. President from Hawai'i would be to name an educational
11 institution for him; and
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13 WHEREAS, the Hawai'i State Board of Education and the
14 Hawai'i State Department of Education determines the names of
15 Hawai'i public schools; and
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17 WHEREAS, President Barack Hussein Obama II began his
18 education at Noelani Elementary School and graduated from
19 Punahou School; and
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21 WHEREAS, President William McKinley High School was named
22 after an individual influential in the annexation of the
23 Hawaiian Islands to the United States of America; and
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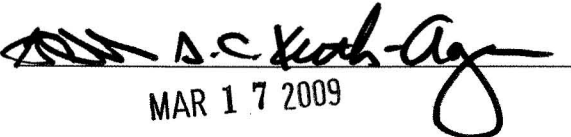


1 WHEREAS, President Barack Hussein Obama II serves as an
2 inspiration of hope and leadership for Hawai'i and future
3 generations; and
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5 WHEREAS, President Barack Hussein Obama II's roots to
6 Hawai'i will encourage the world to learn more and experience
7 Hawai'i's unique and rich island-culture, beauty, diversity and
8 spirit of aloha; and
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10 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
11 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session
12 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the Hawai'i State Board of
13 Education and Superintendant of Education are urged to change
14 the name of Noelani Elementary School to President Barack
15 Hussein Obama II Elementary School and/or to change the name of
16 President William McKinley High School to President Barack
17 Hussein Obama II High School; and
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
20 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the members of the
21 Hawai'i State Board of Education and Superintendant of Education.
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