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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THAT THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION  
ESTABLISH A CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE MODULE.

1           WHEREAS, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, or COPD, is  
2 a progressive disease characterized by a long-lasting  
3 obstruction of the airways that occurs with chronic bronchitis,  
4 emphysema, or both; and  
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6           WHEREAS, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease affects as  
7 many as ten per cent of the world's population older than forty  
8 years of age and is the fourth leading cause of death in the  
9 United States; and  
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11           WHEREAS, to date, there is no cure for chronic obstructive  
12 pulmonary disease; and  
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14           WHEREAS, the federal Division of Adult and Community Health  
15 (DACH) is charged with managing programs that provide cross-  
16 cutting chronic disease and health promotion expertise and  
17 support to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's  
18 (CDC) National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health  
19 Promotion, and the states, communities, and other partners; and  
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21           WHEREAS, the Division of Adult and Community Health also  
22 manages several important and high-profile chronic disease  
23 prevention and control programs for specific chronic diseases,  
24 and is charged with assessing new and emerging chronic disease  
25 issues and launching new programs for the Centers for Disease  
26 Control and Prevention's National Center for Chronic Disease  
27 Prevention and Health Promotion; and  
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29           WHEREAS, currently, there are no chronic obstructive  
30 pulmonary disease information and research modules at the  
31 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and  
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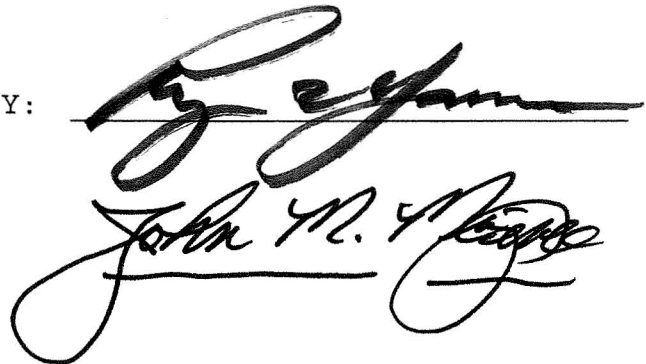


1 WHEREAS, the creation of a chronic obstructive pulmonary  
2 disease module within the Centers for Disease Control and  
3 Prevention will enable information on the potentially  
4 debilitating disease to be centralized and coordinated, leading  
5 to better sharing of key information and more research and  
6 funding for better and effective treatments; now, therefore,  
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8 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
9 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
10 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the Centers for Disease  
11 Control and Prevention is respectfully requested to establish a  
12 chronic obstructive pulmonary disease module for information and  
13 research on effective treatments for the disease; and  
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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
16 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the members of the  
17 Hawaii congressional delegation, the Director of the Centers for  
18 Disease Control and Prevention, and the Director of the Division  
19 of Adult and Community Health.  
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