
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO ISSUE A STAMP
HONORING PRINCE JONAH KUHIO KALANIANAOLE.

1 WHEREAS, Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalanianaole was born on March
2 26, 1871, at Hoai, Kualu in the Koloa district of the island of
3 Kauai; and
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5 WHEREAS, he was the last prince of the Hawaiian monarchy
6 upon the demise of his brother David Kawanakoa and Queen Lydia
7 Liliuokalani; and
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9 WHEREAS, in his early years, Prince Kuhio attended the best
10 schools in England to prepare for high offices or to wear the
11 crown upon his return to the Kingdom of Hawaii; and
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13 WHEREAS, upon his return, Prince Kuhio received a position
14 in the Ministry of the Interior and the Customs Service where he
15 showed a strong aptitude for public affairs; and
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17 WHEREAS, as a staunch supporter of his aunt, Queen
18 Liliuokalani, he joined a group of revolutionaries with the
19 intent of restoring her to the throne from the republic of
20 Hawaii; and
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22 WHEREAS, he was later arrested for joining the Hawaiian
23 revolution in 1895, charged with treason, and served a one-year
24 sentence as a political prisoner; and
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26 WHEREAS, he was later released and pardoned, at the same
27 time that Liliuokalani was released from her imprisonment; and
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29 WHEREAS, Prince Kuhio was elected to Congress and served
30 from March 4, 1903 until his death in 1922; and
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32 WHEREAS, Prince Kuhio served on the Military Affairs
33 Committee of the United States House of Representatives where he
34 fought hard for the development of Pearl Harbor and secured
35 millions of dollars for military installations on Oahu; and



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 2 WHEREAS, on February 11, 1919, he introduced a bill in
 3 Congress asking that Hawaii be admitted to the United States;
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 6 WHEREAS, in 1920, after years of lobbying, Prince Kuhio
 7 finally passed his greatest achievement, the Rehabilitation Act,
 8 better known as the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act; and

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 10 WHEREAS, Prince Kuhio died on January 7, 1922, at the age
 11 of fifty, and was given the last state funeral held in Hawaii
 12 for an alii; now, therefore,

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 14 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 15 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
 16 of 2009, that the United States Postal Service is requested to
 17 issue a commemorative stamp in honor of Prince Jonah Kuhio
 18 Kalaniana'ole; and

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 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the people of Hawaii are urged
 21 to support this effort to bring pride and recognition to both
 22 Prince Kuhio and the State of Hawaii; and

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 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 25 Resolution be transmitted to the Postmaster General and Chief
 26 Executive Officer and the Chair of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory
 27 Committee of the United States Postal Service, the District
 28 Manager of the United States Postal Service for the District of
 29 Hawaii, the Governor of Hawaii, the Mayors of Honolulu, Maui,
 30 Kauai, and Hawaii counties, the Department of Hawaiian Home
 31 Lands, the Honolulu-Pacific Federal Executive Board, and the
 32 principal of the Prince Jonah Kuhio elementary school.

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