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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDING THAT THE KAPOLEI COURT COMPLEX BE RENAMED AS "THE
RONALD T.Y. MOON JUDICIAL COMPLEX".

1 WHEREAS, Ronald T.Y. Moon has devoted more than four
2 decades to serving Hawaii's judiciary, as a law clerk to United
3 States District Court Judge Martin Pence, as a Deputy
4 Prosecutor, as a respected attorney in private practice, as
5 Circuit Court Judge, and as a distinguished member of Hawaii's
6 Supreme Court; and

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8 WHEREAS, Ronald T.Y. Moon was elevated to the position of
9 Chief Justice of the Hawaii Supreme Court in 1993 and has served
10 with distinction throughout his tenure on the State's highest
11 court; and

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13 WHEREAS, under Chief Justice Moon's leadership, Hawaii's
14 judicial system has responded to the challenges of a rapidly
15 growing state through innovative programs such as the Judicial
16 Performance Project, the Committee on Jury Innovations for the
17 Twenty-first Century, the Appellate Mediation Program, and the
18 Access to Justice Committee; and

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20 WHEREAS, throughout his career, Chief Justice Moon has been
21 a strong advocate for the American principle of "Justice for
22 All" by working to ensure equal access to the courts through his
23 service as chair of the Conference of Chief Justices' Access to
24 and Fairness in the Courts Committee and chair of the Americans
25 with Disabilities Act Resource Center Advisory Committee, and
26 vocal support of lawyers' pro bono service; and

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28 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Moon has been honored by the
29 National Center for State Courts with that organization's
30 Distinguished Service Award for longstanding contributions to
31 the improvement of the justice system and support of the
32 National Center's mission of leadership, service, and education;
33 and



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2 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Moon has been honored by the
3 government of the Republic of Korea with the Order of Civil
4 Merit, one of the highest awards given by that country, in
5 recognition of his contributions to the Korean community in the
6 United States; and

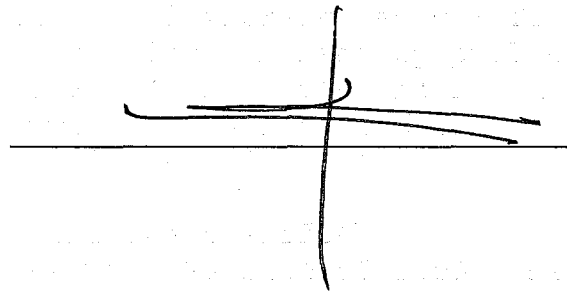
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8 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Moon's unwavering support and
9 tireless advocacy was instrumental in increasing access to the
10 judicial system, especially for traditionally underserved
11 communities on the Leeward Coast, by building the Kapolei Court
12 Complex in West Oahu; and

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14 WHEREAS, the Kapolei Court Complex will increase access to
15 the judicial system by relieving overcrowding, increasing public
16 safety within the courthouse, providing a more convenient forum
17 for the residents of West Oahu, and providing a location for
18 services to the community; now, therefore,

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20 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth
21 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2009, the
22 House of Representatives concurring, that it be recommended that
23 the Kapolei Court Complex be renamed the Ronald T.Y. Moon
24 Judicial Complex in recognition of Chief Justice Moon's
25 outstanding contributions to the State of Hawaii; and

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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
28 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Comptroller and the
29 State Judiciary.

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32 OFFERED BY:

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