HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII

H.C.R. NO. 332

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS TO REVISE ITS PRESENT POLICIES ON MATTERS OF SUCCESSORSHIP.

1	WHEREAS, the present successorship, a minimum of twenty-
2	five per cent blood quantum, is insufficient to assure the
3	transfer of lessee rights to successors who are of less than
4	twenty-five per cent Hawaiian blood; and
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6	WHEREAS, a significant number of intermarriages occur
7	between qualified lessees and non-qualified spouses; and
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9	WHEREAS, the Hawaiian population's blood quantum reduces
10	with every passing generation, and, in some families, three or
11	four times in one lessee's lifetime; and
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13	WHEREAS, now is the time to reduce the required blood
14	quantum for successors presently awaiting transfer; and
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16	WHEREAS, to preserve the transfer of lands subject to the
17	Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920, as amended, the
18	Department of Hawaiian Home Lands should make immediate changes
19	to the current procedures for lessee successorship; now,
20	therefore,
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22	BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
23	Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
24	of 2010, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Hawaiian
25	Home Lands is requested to revise its present policies and
26	procedures by lowering the blood quantum requirement to 12.5 per
27	cent for eligible successors; and
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29	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
30	Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the
31	President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
32	Representatives, the Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes
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Commission, and the members of Hawaii's congressional 1

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