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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

COMMEMORATING THE 90<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

1           WHEREAS, the State recognizes certain organizations in the  
2 community who have contributed significantly to the education  
3 and wellbeing of these Islands; and  
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5           WHEREAS, HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE, the State's first  
6 vocational school, opened its doors to 42 students on February  
7 2, 1920, when called "the Territorial Trade School" located at  
8 the old Chinese Hospital in Palama; and  
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10           WHEREAS, HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE has experienced several  
11 name changes in its history, from the Territorial Trade School,  
12 to the Smith-Hughes Department of McKinley High School, then to  
13 Honolulu Vocational School, and finally to Honolulu Technical  
14 School, before attaining its present moniker in 1965; and  
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16           WHEREAS, HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE became part of the  
17 University of Hawai'i System as a result of the Community  
18 College Act of 1964, upon which it formally transitioned from  
19 vocational school to community college in 1966 with the  
20 authority to grant Associate in Arts and Associate in Science  
21 degrees; and  
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23           WHEREAS, HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE has a current student  
24 population of over 4,500 and offers a comprehensive liberal arts  
25 program, 23 trade programs, and many other specialty areas of  
26 instruction, some unique only to the College, such as Music  
27 Enterprise Learning Experience, Fire and Environmental Emergency  
28 Response, Small Vessel Fabrication and Repair, Aeronautics and  
29 Maintenance Technology, Diesel Mechanics Technology, in addition  
30 to housing the only Pilot Training program and Aviation  
31 Mechanics program in the Pacific Region; and  
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1           WHEREAS, HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE has strengthened the  
 2 fabric of our society and contributed to the betterment of our  
 3 community through its focused commitment to providing  
 4 educational and economic opportunities for our people including  
 5 the traditionally underserved and often first-generation in our  
 6 population, enabling many to become productive members of an  
 7 integral community; and

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 9           WHEREAS, HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE has now been a landmark  
 10 and community pillar for ninety years—improving the lives of a  
 11 diverse student population on the Island of O'ahu, and offering  
 12 one of the best educational values in the United States—and  
 13 commits to uphold its tradition of delivering excellence in  
 14 higher education from this 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary and onward; now,  
 15 therefore,

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 17           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
 18 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i that the  
 19 members of this body hereby recognize and congratulate the  
 20 administration, including current Chancellor Michael T. Rota,  
 21 Vice-Chancellor Erika Lacro, former Chancellor Ramsey R.  
 22 Pedersen, along with the faculty, staff and students, both past  
 23 and present, of HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE on the occasion of  
 24 its 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, and further offer their heartfelt gratitude  
 25 and thanks for their outstanding contributions to the community  
 26 and to higher education in Hawai'i and send them their warmest  
 27 aloha and best wishes in all future endeavors.

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