
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE SAN FRANCISCO MEXICAN CONSULATE TO CONSIDER
ESTABLISHMENT OF A MEXICAN CONSULATE IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii does not have a permanent Mexican consulate
2 and Mexican nationals living in Hawaii fall under the
3 jurisdiction of the Consulate General of Mexico in San
4 Francisco, California; and
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6 WHEREAS, the population of Mexican nationals in Hawaii has
7 increased and the need for consular support has grown; and
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9 WHEREAS, according to the 2010 Census data and the Pew
10 Hispanic Center, the total population of Latinos in Hawaii is
11 approximately 151,000 of which approximately 65,000 are Mexican;
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14 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii benefits in the areas of
15 business, agriculture, tourism, and culture from the presence of
16 the Mexican community, which began in 1830; and
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18 WHEREAS, Mexican nationals living in Hawaii suffer a lack
19 of accessibility to the San Francisco consulate due to the
20 insular nature of the State of Hawaii and its distance from the
21 United States mainland; and
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23 WHEREAS, the San Francisco consulate's visits and contact
24 with Mexican nationals living in Hawaii is limited due to
25 Hawaii's distance from the United States mainland and funds
26 available for travel; and
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28 WHEREAS, the lack of accessibility to the Mexican Consulate
29 in San Francisco results in unmet needs of Mexican nationals in
30 Hawaii, such as the expiration of, and inability to obtain,
31 required documents and difficulty addressing abusive treatment
32 and rights violations; and



1 WHEREAS, the government of the United Mexican States has 73
2 embassies around the world and 51 consulates in the United
3 States; now, therefore,
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
6 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
7 of 2011, that the Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the United
8 Mexican States, is requested to consider establishing a
9 permanent Mexican Consulate in the State of Hawaii to improve
10 consular presence and address the needs of Mexican nationals
11 living in Hawaii; and
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
14 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United Mexican
15 States; Secretary of Foreign Affairs, United Mexican States; the
16 Consulate General of Mexico, San Francisco; the Honorary Consul
17 of Mexico in Hawaii; members of Hawaii's congressional
18 delegation; and the Governor.

