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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO'S PACIFIC  
AQUACULTURE AND COASTAL RESOURCES CENTER TO CONVENE A  
WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A  
RESEARCH PROGRAM FOR THE STEWARDSHIP OF MARINE PROTECTED  
AREAS.

1           WHEREAS, increasing population growth and mounting demands  
2 on natural resources have created a pressing need for the  
3 implementation of sustainable solutions; and  
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5           WHEREAS, in 2005, the Legislature embraced sustainability  
6 as a guiding principle in the future development and land use  
7 management of the Hawaiian Islands when it established the  
8 Hawaii 2050 Task Force; and  
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10          WHEREAS, the native Hawaiian land tenure system recognized  
11 the interconnectedness of island ecosystems whose health was  
12 necessary to the survival of native Hawaiian communities; and  
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14          WHEREAS, conducting research and collecting data on marine  
15 protected areas will provide information that will lead to a  
16 greater understanding of these areas by a wider circle of  
17 stakeholders; now, therefore,  
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19          BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
20 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
21 of 2011, that the University of Hawaii at Hilo's Pacific  
22 Aquaculture and Coastal Resources Center convene a working group  
23 of interested stakeholders to examine the feasibility of  
24 establishing a research program to:  
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26           (1) Collaborate with the federal government on issues  
27           pertaining to stewardship of aquaculture and marine  
28           protected areas;  
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30           (2) Conduct research and catalogue scientific data on the  
31           Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument;  
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1 (3) Seek federal funds and grants to support the program;  
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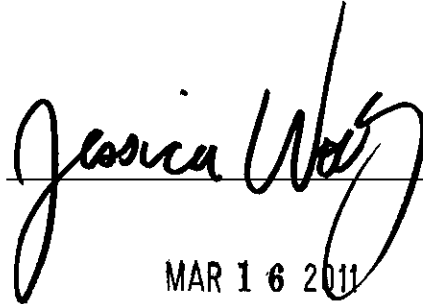
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4 (4) Consult with experts on native Hawaiian aquaculture  
5 and marine ecosystems in areas including fishing  
6 practices and ocean and atmospheric conditions; and  
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested  
9 to consider which organization is best suited to implement the  
10 program; and  
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii at  
13 Hilo's Pacific Aquaculture and Coastal Resources Center is  
14 requested to submit a report of its findings and  
15 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the  
16 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
17 the Regular Session of 2012; and  
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
20 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the University of  
21 Hawaii at Hilo's Pacific Aquaculture and Coastal Resources  
22 Center.  
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OFFERED BY:

  
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