
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO PROCLAIM JANUARY 29 OF EVERY YEAR AS
THOMAS PAINE DAY.

1 WHEREAS, Thomas Paine, a leader of the American revolution
2 and one of the founding fathers, peer of George Washington,
3 Thomas Jefferson, and Benjamin Franklin, was one of the most
4 brilliant political philosophers of his time; and
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6 WHEREAS, Thomas Paine crystallized the decision of the
7 colonies for independence with his work "Common Sense"; and
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9 WHEREAS, Thomas Paine supported the revolution through
10 personal service, his fortune, and his inspirational "Crisis
11 Papers"; and
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13 WHEREAS, Thomas Paine was the first to promote universal
14 and equal education for boys and girls, equality for women,
15 religious freedom, and to suggest a League of Nations; and
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17 WHEREAS, Thomas Paine's life and work continue to inspire
18 those who seek liberty and democracy all over the world; now,
19 therefore,
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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
22 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
23 of 2011, that the Governor is requested to express the State's
24 support for Thomas Paine's contributions to our liberty by
25 proclaiming January 29 of every year, beginning on January 29,
26 2012 as Thomas Paine Day in the State of Hawaii; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
29 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and the Resolution
30 Coordinator of Thomas Paine Friends, Inc.
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OFFERED BY: _____

Colin K. Jay
(By Request)

