
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE 2010 UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSAL
PERIODIC REVIEW OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

1 WHEREAS, on November 5, 2010, the United States of America
2 underwent the first-ever Universal Periodic Review of its human
3 rights record before the United Nations Human Rights Council in
4 Geneva; and

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6 WHEREAS, the review process provided an opportunity for the
7 United States to identify human rights violations, develop real
8 solutions, and bring policies in line with international human
9 rights standards; and

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11 WHEREAS, the review featured an unprecedented level of
12 consultation and engagement with civil society across the United
13 States--voluntary civic and social organizations and
14 institutions that form the basis of a functioning society; and

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16 WHEREAS, the 228 recommendations from the Universal
17 Periodic Review provided insight into the major human rights
18 issues in the United States; and

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20 WHEREAS, a majority of the recommendations were taken
21 directly from civil society stakeholder reports and subsequent
22 study sheets that United Nations members used in the review
23 process; now, therefore,

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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
26 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
27 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature supports
28 the review and consideration of the recommendations from the
29 2010 Universal Periodic Review of the United States of America
30 by the United Nations Human Rights Council, where applicable to
31 the State of Hawaii; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature supports the
2 promotion of a culture of human rights based on the principles
3 established in the Charter of the United Nations; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature encourages the
6 participation of the State of Hawaii in the United States' next
7 Universal Periodic Review in 2014; and
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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
10 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the United States
11 Secretary of State, United States Secretary of Education, United
12 States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, members of
13 Hawaii's congressional delegation, Attorney General of the State
14 of Hawaii, United Nations Secretary-General, and the United
15 Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.
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