
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

DECLARING 'A'A AS THE STATE ROCK.

1 WHEREAS, volcanoes have a deep and rich cultural
2 significance to Native Hawaiians and current residents of the
3 State; and
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5 WHEREAS, the majesty and beauty of volcanoes, both active
6 and inactive, are enjoyed by residents and visitors alike; and
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8 WHEREAS, the Hawaiian islands are volcanic in origin; and
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10 WHEREAS, each Hawaiian island is made up of at least one
11 primary volcano, although many islands are composites of more
12 than one volcano; and
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14 WHEREAS, lava rock is expelled by volcanoes during
15 eruptions; and
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17 WHEREAS, 'A'a is one of three basic types of lava rock and
18 is characterized by a rough, jagged spinose, and generally
19 clinkery surface; and
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21 WHEREAS, 'A'a is the rarest of the three types of lava rock;
22 now, therefore,
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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
25 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
26 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature of the
27 State of Hawaii declares 'A'a as the state rock to honor the
28 creation of the State and the cultural significance thereof; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the
 3 President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
 4 Representatives, and the Chairperson of the Board of Land and
 5 Natural Resources.
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