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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE OF HAWAII TO PROVIDE THE DELEGATES AND OFFICERS OF THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN CONVENTION WITH THE FINANCIAL AND OTHER SUPPORT NEEDED TO COMPLETE THEIR WORK.

WHEREAS, the legislature agreed to fund one-half of the 1 cost of what would eventually be called the native Hawaiian vote 2 in 1996; and 3 4 WHEREAS, on July 1, 1996, more than eighty thousand ballots 5 6 were sent throughout the world, asking whether the native Hawaiian people should elect delegates to propose a native 7 Hawaiian government; and 8 9 WHEREAS, of the more than thirty thousand votes counted, 10 seventy-three per cent answered in the affirmative; and 11 12 WHEREAS, based on the native Hawaiian vote, the Aha Hawai'i 13 O'iwi, or Native Hawaiian Convention, was formed; and 14 15 WHEREAS, the Aha Hawai'i O'iwi is charged with proposing a 16 17 native Hawaiian government to its constituents; and 18 19 WHEREAS, if ratified, the result of the proposal will form 20 the basis for discussion and negotiations with the governments of the State of Hawaii and the United States, for native 21 Hawaiian self-governance; and 22 23 WHEREAS, the work of the Native Hawaiian Convention has not 24 yet been completed; now, therefore 25 26 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 27 28 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, that the State is requested to provide the delegates 29 and officers of the Native Hawaiian Convention with the 30 financial and other support needed to complete their work; and 31 32 . 33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the President of the 34 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the 35

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Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian
Affairs, and the Chairperson of the Native Hawaiian Convention.
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