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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO PROCURE GOODS AND SERVICES THAT ARE USED TO SUPPORT HAWAII-BASED UNITED STATES MILITARY PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES FROM HAWAII BUSINESSES AND TO COOPERATE WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF HAWAII TO HOST TRADE SHOWS THAT FEATURE LOCAL BUSINESSES.

1           WHEREAS, United States military contracting officers are  
2 able to purchase goods, supplies, and services available from  
3 local sources; and  
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5           WHEREAS, between 2007 and 2009, the average annual  
6 Department of Defense procurements in Hawaii totaled \$2.307  
7 billion, and over fifty-eight per cent of those procurement  
8 expenses were made from a vendor with an address in Hawaii; and  
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10          WHEREAS, among the many categories of Hawaii goods and  
11 services purchased by the Department of Defense, the Department  
12 of Defense spent the most in construction; professional,  
13 scientific, and technical services; and administrative and  
14 support services; and  
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16          WHEREAS, the Defense Logistics Agency, in conjunction with  
17 a local Defense Logistics Agency representative, manages a trade  
18 show in Hawaii that highlights products to be stocked in  
19 military stores, and the trade show has been successful in  
20 placing Hawaii-sourced food and beverage products in military  
21 commissaries and exchanges; and  
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23          WHEREAS, the trade show has proven so popular that  
24 participation must be limited, and in the past, interested  
25 vendors have been turned away; and  
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27          WHEREAS, conducting trade shows involving local businesses,  
28 including small businesses, would provide opportunities for  
29 these businesses to demonstrate their products and services to



