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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATION OF A TRANS-PACIFIC  
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN AUSTRALIA, BRUNEI, CANADA,  
CHILE, MALAYSIA, MEXICO, NEW ZEALAND, PERU, SINGAPORE,  
VIETNAM, AND THE UNITED STATES.

1 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii is located in the middle of  
2 the Pacific Ocean and forms a bridge between the many nations of  
3 Asia, the Pacific, and South America; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii draws economic and cultural  
6 strength from its ties with the nations surrounding the Pacific  
7 Ocean; and  
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9 WHEREAS, the successful hosting of the Asia-Pacific  
10 Economic Cooperation (APEC) Leaders' Meeting held in Honolulu,  
11 Hawaii in November 2011, demonstrated the benefits of  
12 international cooperation and symbolized Hawaii's central role  
13 in the Asia-Pacific Century; and  
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15 WHEREAS, the Trans-Pacific Partnership comprising  
16 Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand,  
17 Peru, Singapore, the United States, and Vietnam offers a  
18 potential pathway to the APEC goal of free and open trade and  
19 investment in the Asia-Pacific region; and  
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21 WHEREAS, the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement will  
22 deepen economic linkages among its members by opening up trade  
23 in goods and services, boosting investment flows, and promoting  
24 closer links; and  
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26 WHEREAS, the Trans-Pacific Partnership will assist in  
27 increasing United States exports and providing more and better  
28 jobs for Americans as well as residents of the State of Hawaii;  
29 now, therefore,  
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31 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
32 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
33 Session of 2013, that this body endorses the successful



1 negotiation of a high-quality, broad-based, twenty-first century  
 2 Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement between Australia, Brunei,  
 3 Canada, Chile, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore,  
 4 Vietnam, and the United States, that makes doing business in the  
 5 region faster, more economical, and easier, and encourages the  
 6 participation of small- and medium-sized business in trade;  
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body encourages the United  
 9 States Congress to favorably consider passage of the Trans-  
 10 Pacific Partnership Agreement and endeavor to bring negotiations  
 11 to a successful conclusion by the end of 2013; and  
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body encourages the  
 14 business community in the State of Hawaii to voice its support  
 15 for the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement and to develop  
 16 proposals that would create economic opportunities for Hawaii;  
 17 and  
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body commits to supporting  
 20 the development and implementation of the Trans-Pacific  
 21 Partnership Agreement and stands ready to support the hosting of  
 22 a future negotiating round in Hawaii if called upon to do so;  
 23 and  
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 26 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States,  
 27 the members of Hawaii's Congressional delegation, and the  
 28 Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, who in  
 29 turn is requested to transmit certified copies of this  
 30 Resolution to the heads of the nations and their respective  
 31 legislative bodies in Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile,  
 32 Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, and Vietnam.  
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34 *[Signature]* OFFERED BY: *[Signature]*  
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