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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING DEBRA LINDSEY AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE 2012 MASAYUKI TOKIOKA EXCELLENCE IN SCHOOL LEADERSHIP AWARD, RANDIANN PORRAS-TANG AS THE 2012 METLIFE/NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS (NASSP) HAWAII HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR, FRANK FERNANDES AS THE 2012 METLIFE/NASSP HAWAII MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR, KENNETH LEE AS HAWAII'S 2012 NATIONAL DISTINGUISHED PRINCIPAL, STACEY MAKANOE KAWASAKI AS HAWAII'S 2012 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS OUTSTANDING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, AND NUUANU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, BLANCHE POPE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND WAIKIKI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AS 2012-2013 HAWAII BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS.

1           WHEREAS, principals play a critical role in establishing a  
2 school's culture and academic environment and providing a place  
3 for students to develop crucial learning skills and habits  
4 needed as they progress in their education; and

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6           WHEREAS, DEBRA LINDSEY, currently the Principal of Kauai  
7 High School, was the recipient of the 2012 Masayuki Tokioka  
8 Excellence in School Leadership Award as the Principal of Koloa  
9 Elementary School for her leadership, hard work, and clear  
10 vision, which helped transform Koloa Elementary School into a  
11 model learning institution; and

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13           WHEREAS, RANDIANN PORRAS-TANG, the Principal at Waialua  
14 High and Intermediate School, is the 2012 MetLife/National  
15 Association of Secondary School Principals Hawaii High School  
16 Principal of the Year due to her extraordinary dedication and  
17 passion to improving the school's academics, which have resulted  
18 in greatly improved graduation and faculty retention rates; and

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20           WHEREAS, as a result of his "School of the Heart"  
21 philosophy, which promotes respect at Kaimuki Middle School,  
22 FRANK FERNANDES, the Principal at Kaimuki Middle School, has



1 been selected as the 2012 MetLife/National Association of  
2 Secondary School Principals Hawaii Middle School Principal of  
3 the Year; and  
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5 WHEREAS, as a result of his determination to insist on what  
6 is best for the students, KENNETH LEE, the Principal at Nimitz  
7 Elementary School, has been named Hawaii's 2012 National  
8 Distinguished Principal by a committee through a process  
9 conducted by the Hawaii Elementary and Middle School  
10 Administrators Association; and  
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12 WHEREAS, the National Association of Elementary School  
13 Principals honors STACEY MAKANOE KAWASAKI as Hawaii's 2012  
14 Outstanding Assistant Principal for her strong leadership skills  
15 and unwavering dedication to education; and  
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17 WHEREAS, three elementary schools, distinguishing  
18 themselves as examples of educational excellence, have been  
19 designated as Blue Ribbon Schools in the State of Hawaii and  
20 have earned nominations as national Blue Ribbon Schools; and  
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22 WHEREAS, NUUANU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL's emphasis on adapting to  
23 change and preparing young students for a technologically  
24 advanced world has contributed to the school being recognized as  
25 a 2012-2013 Hawaii Blue Ribbon School; and  
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27 WHEREAS, through hard work and perseverance, BLANCHE POPE  
28 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL has made impressive progress in meeting its  
29 educational goals and has been named a 2012-2013 Hawaii Blue  
30 Ribbon School; and  
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32 WHEREAS, WAIKIKI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL provides a safe,  
33 vibrant, and nurturing environment that encourages lifelong  
34 learning, which results in responsible, competent, and confident  
35 individuals who contribute to WAIKIKI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL's status  
36 as a 2012-2013 Hawaii Blue Ribbon School; now, therefore,  
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38 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
39 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
40 Session of 2013, that this body hereby commends, congratulates,  
41 and honors DEBRA LINDSEY, RANDIANN PORRAS-TANG, FRANK FERNANDES,



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1 KENNETH LEE, STACEY MAKANOE KAWASAKI, NUUANU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,  
2 BLANCHE POPE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, and WAIKIKI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
3 for their outstanding accomplishments and much-deserved  
4 recognition, and extends to all of them its sincere mahalo and  
5 best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

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