S.C.R. NO. 32

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO RENAME THE KILAUEA POINT LIGHTHOUSE LOCATED ON THE ISLAND OF KAUAI, HAWAII, IN HONOR OF THE LATE SENATOR DANIEL K. INOUYE.

WHEREAS, the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye was born in Honolulu, Hawaii on September 7, 1924; and

WHEREAS, Senator Daniel K. Inouye volunteered for combat with the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team of the United States Army, earning several honors, including the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and Medal of Honor; and

WHEREAS, after being honorably discharged with the rank of captain, Senator Daniel K. Inouye was elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1959 and subsequently to the United States Senate in 1962; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Senator Daniel K. Inouye became chairperson of the United States Senate Committee on Appropriations Committee; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his death, Senator Daniel K. Inouye was Senate President Pro Tempore, having achieved the distinction of being the second longest serving United States senator during his fifty-year tenure with the United States Senate; and

WHEREAS, Senator Daniel K. Inouye diligently served the State of Hawaii, helping to allocate federal funds for Hawaii projects and raising national awareness of the issues facing Hawaii's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Kilauea Point Lighthouse began lighting the way for mariners in 1913, providing pivotal navigational aid for ships sailing near Hawaiian waters; and

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WHEREAS, in 1927, the Kilauea Point Lighthouse played a key role in the first trans-Pacific flight from the West Coast to Honolulu by reorienting the two pilots of the Bird of Paradise, which had become lost over Hawaii waters; and

WHEREAS, the glimmer of both the historic Kilauea Point Lighthouse, tasked with guiding ships to safe harbor, and the legacy of the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye, illuminating the voices of Hawaii's citizens, both continue to serve as beacons of hope for brighter days to come; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2013, the House of Representatives concurring, that the United States Congress is requested to recognize the legacy of the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye by designating the Kilauea Point Lighthouse on the island of Kauai, Hawaii, as the Daniel K. Inouye Kilauea Point Lighthouse; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, Speaker of the United States House of Representative, members of Hawaii's congressional delegation, National Register Chief of the National Register of Historic Places, and the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

FERED BY:

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