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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII BOARD OF REGENTS TO NAME THE
LIBRARY BUILDING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII WEST OAHU
CAMPUS AFTER GENE I. AWAKUNI.

1 WHEREAS, Gene Awakuni joined the University of Hawaii as
2 chancellor of the West Oahu campus in March 2005; and
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4 WHEREAS, prior to joining the University of Hawaii, Gene
5 Awakuni served as vice provost at Stanford University, as vice
6 president of student services at Columbia University, and as an
7 administrator at Cal Poly Pomona, University of California-Santa
8 Barbara, and University of California-Irvine; and
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10 WHEREAS, since joining the University of Hawaii, Gene
11 Awakuni has demonstrated incredible resolve while taking on the
12 task of transforming the University of Hawaii-West Oahu campus
13 from portable classroom units located on the corner of the
14 Leeward Community College campus to a beautiful modern campus in
15 Kapolei; and
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17 WHEREAS, in constructing the West Oahu campus, Gene Awakuni
18 was able to overcome serious financial challenges through
19 innovative and entrepreneurial ideas, as well as working
20 collaboratively with contractors, subcontractors, and community
21 partners to achieve the goal of providing a convenient center of
22 higher education in the region; and
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24 WHEREAS, according to University of Hawaii President M.R.C.
25 Greenwood, the construction of the University of Hawaii-West
26 Oahu campus "is one of the most important projects for higher
27 education in the entire State"; now, therefore,
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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh
30 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2013, the
31 House of Representatives concurring, that the University of
32 Hawaii Board of Regents is urged to name the library building at



1 the University of Hawaii-West Oahu campus after Gene I. Awakuni;
2 and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
5 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the University of Hawaii
6 Board of Regents, President of the University of Hawaii System,
7 and the Chancellor of the University of Hawaii-West Oahu.
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