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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING JANUARY 17TH OF EVERY YEAR AS A DAY TO COMMEMORATE  
AND RECOGNIZE THE EVENTS AND STRUGGLE FOR JUSTICE THAT LED  
TO THE UNITED CHURCHES OF CHRIST'S *APOLOGY TO NA KANAKA  
MAOLI* AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESSIONAL APOLOGY TO NATIVE  
HAWAIIANS.

1           WHEREAS, January 17, 2013, will be the twentieth  
2 anniversary of the United Churches of Christ's *Apology to Na*  
3 *Kanaka Maoli* presented by Dr. Paul Sherry, the President of the  
4 United Church of Christ; and

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6           WHEREAS, this year marks the twentieth anniversary of the  
7 United States Congressional Apology to Native Hawaiians, Public  
8 Law 103-150, signed by President William Clinton; and

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10          WHEREAS, the Pacific Justice and Reconciliation Center,  
11 Interfaith Alliance Hawaii, Matsunaga Institute for Peace and  
12 Conflict Resolution at the University of Hawaii, Myron B.  
13 Thompson School of Social Work at the University of Hawaii, and  
14 many other organizations have supported efforts to educate the  
15 public regarding events that led to the foregoing apologies and  
16 for further reconciliation efforts; and

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18          WHEREAS, the Cathedral of St. Andrew, Kawaiaha'o Church,  
19 Kaumakapili Church, Harris United Methodist Church, St.  
20 Augustine By-the-Sea, and the Central Union Church have hosted  
21 annual events commemorating the foregoing apologies, which  
22 included educational activities and other efforts to promote  
23 justice and further reconciliation efforts; and

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25          WHEREAS, the Legislature has initiated and supported  
26 similar efforts to promote justice and reconciliation over the  
27 last 20 years, including the recognition and honoring of  
28 President Grover Cleveland and Queen Liliuokalani; now,  
29 therefore,

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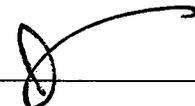
1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh  
2 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2013, the  
3 House of Representatives concurring, that this body designates  
4 January 17th of every year as a day to recognize and commemorate  
5 the Native Hawaiian struggle for justice and reconciliation  
6 related to the events leading up to the United Churches of  
7 Christ's *Apology to Na Kanaka Maoli* and United States  
8 Congressional Apology to Native Hawaiians, Public Law 103-150;  
9 and

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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body recognizes the  
12 courage, faith, and hope Queen Liliuokalani exhibited after the  
13 overthrow of the Hawaiian Monarchy and her unyielding devotion  
14 to justice, mercy, and reconciliation on behalf of the Native  
15 Hawaiian people; and

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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body commits itself to the  
18 furtherance of justice for Native Hawaiians and to furthering  
19 reconciliation efforts between the United States government and  
20 Native Hawaiians; and

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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
23 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the  
24 United States, Speaker of the United States House of  
25 Representatives, President Pro Tempore of the United States  
26 Senate, Chief Executive Officer of the Office of Hawaiian  
27 Affairs, President and Conference Ministers of the United Church  
28 of Christ, Bishop of the Episcopal Church, President of the  
29 Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches, President of  
30 Interfaith Alliance of Hawaii, President of the Pacific Justice  
31 and Reconciliation Center, President of the Association of  
32 Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Hawaii Association of Independent Schools,  
33 Board of Trustees of Kawaiaha'o Church, The Cathedral of St.  
34 Andrew, Kaumakapili Church, Harris United Methodist Church, St.  
35 Augustine By-the-Sea Catholic Church, and Central Union Church.

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