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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

DECLARING THE HAWAII FOOD AND WINE FESTIVAL THE NEXT  
AGRICULTURAL AND CULINARY MOVEMENT IN THE STATE OF HAWAII.

1           WHEREAS, the Hawaii regional cuisine movement started in  
2 1991 with twelve of Hawaii's most accomplished chefs making a  
3 commitment to use the finest locally grown produce and to  
4 support local farmers; and

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6           WHEREAS, Hawaii regional cuisine was a major impetus that  
7 drove the growth of diversified agriculture in Hawaii; and

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9           WHEREAS, the Hawaii Food and Wine Festival began twenty  
10 years later in 2011 with more than eighty chefs from all over  
11 the world coming together to showcase Hawaii's incredible bounty  
12 of fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs, beef, eggs, fish, pork,  
13 coffee, honey, and more; and

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15           WHEREAS, the festival is a testament to the impact that  
16 Hawaii Regional Cuisine chefs and local farmers have had upon  
17 Hawaii's culinary arts and its agricultural industry; and

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19           WHEREAS, the festival moves Hawaii regional cuisine forward  
20 by bringing together tourism, education, culture,  
21 environmentalism, and sustainability to ensure that Hawaii  
22 maintains a healthy and vibrant economy for future generations;  
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25           WHEREAS, the overarching message of the Hawaii Food and  
26 Wine Festival is "Taste our Love for the Land" and promotes the  
27 return of sustainability to Hawaii; and

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29           WHEREAS, the festival brings multiple industries and  
30 partners together to promote Hawaii as a destination and creates  
31 new opportunities to build relationships that grow beyond  
32 Hawaii's shores; and



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2 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Tourism Authority and its industry  
3 partners support the festival as a major signature event and  
4 recognize the importance of building a world-class festival that  
5 brings visitors from all over the world to Hawaii; and  
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7 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Food and Wine Festival has put Hawaii  
8 on the world's food and wine map in a monumental way and is  
9 truly a showcase of our local produce, our islands, our people,  
10 our culture, and our talents; and  
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12 WHEREAS, the festival is organized as a nonprofit  
13 organization that contributes to community organizations  
14 promoting the agricultural and culinary industries, education,  
15 and sustainability in Hawaii; now, therefore,  
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17 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
18 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
19 Session of 2014, the Senate concurring, that the Hawaii Food and  
20 Wine Festival benefits all the people of Hawaii and is declared  
21 the next agricultural and culinary movement in Hawaii; and  
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
24 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to event chairs Chef Alan  
25 Wong and Chef Roy Yamaguchi.  
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OFFERED BY:  \_\_\_\_\_

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