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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING MICHELLE KAY AS THE 2013 MILKEN EDUCATOR AWARD RECIPIENT, BRYAN RANKIE AS THE 2013 MILKEN EDUCATOR TEACHER OF PROMISE AWARD RECIPIENT, LAURA FUKUMOTO AND DAVE MORISHIGE AS THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2012 PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATH AND SCIENCE TEACHING, CHRISTEL COLLINS AS THE 2013 STATE LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR, AND EDWIN KAMIKAWA AS THE 2013 LIBRARIAN OF EXCELLENCE.

1           WHEREAS, the people of the State of Hawaii take pride in  
2 recognizing and honoring the superb achievements and notable  
3 contributions of educators who, through their extraordinary  
4 dedication and personal efforts, significantly improve the  
5 quality of education in Hawaii; and  
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7           WHEREAS, MICHELLE KAY is the 2013 Milken Educator Award  
8 recipient, a teacher and a role model who inspires excellence  
9 among her students and colleagues; she is a science teacher at  
10 Kalakaua Middle School and has been instrumental in promoting  
11 interest and participation in science programs such as robotics,  
12 aquaponics, and fairs since arriving at Kalakaua Middle School  
13 in 2011; many consider MICHELLE KAY a trustworthy and caring  
14 educator whose classroom doors stay open to help students  
15 whenever possible; and  
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17           WHEREAS, BRYAN RANKIE is the 2013 Milken Educator Teacher  
18 of Promise Award recipient, an award which is bestowed upon an  
19 individual who demonstrates excellence and the highest qualities  
20 of a professional educator; he is a teacher at Mauka Lani  
21 Elementary School, and has an excellent rapport with students  
22 and staff alike; through hard work and dedication his students  
23 have closed the achievement gap and met federal progress  
24 benchmarks; and



1           WHEREAS, LAURA FUKUMOTO is a recipient of the 2012  
 2 Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching;  
 3 she has been a teacher at Aliamanu Elementary School for 40  
 4 years and under her guidance, math scores rose dramatically; and  
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6           WHEREAS, a recipient of the 2012 Presidential Award for  
 7 Excellence in Math and Science Teaching, DAVE MORISHIGE has  
 8 taught for more than 23 years, with seven years at Mililani  
 9 Mauka Elementary School; DAVE MORISHIGE's hands on lessons help  
 10 students understand concepts and meet standards; he has  
 11 partnered with university doctoral candidates to help parents  
 12 and students gain better understanding of the marine ecosystem  
 13 and is the founder of his school's lego robotics club and  
 14 underwater robotics club; and  
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16           WHEREAS, CHRISTEL COLLINS of Manoa Public Library is the  
 17 2013 State Librarian of the Year; blessed with an engaging,  
 18 thoughtful, and friendly personality, CHRISTEL COLLINS is a  
 19 woman with boundless energy who is able to see the big picture,  
 20 and during her time at the Manoa Public Library, she oversaw the  
 21 construction of a new modern, environmentally-friendly library  
 22 facility; and  
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24           WHEREAS, EDWIN KAMIKAWA is the 2013 Librarian of Excellence  
 25 Award recipient; his high-quality graphic designs along with  
 26 promotional items for all of Hawaii's 50 public libraries serve  
 27 as a testament to his dedication to the library system; now,  
 28 therefore,  
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30           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
 31 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
 32 Session of 2014, that this body hereby commends, congratulates,  
 33 and honors MICHELLE KAY, BRYAN RANKIE, LAURA FUKUMOTO, DAVE  
 34 MORISHIGE, CHRISTEL COLLINS, and EDWIN KAMIKAWA for their  
 35 outstanding accomplishments and much-deserved recognition, and  
 36 extends to all of them its sincere mahalo and best wishes for  
 37 continued success in all future endeavors.  
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