
HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE POLYNESIAN CULTURAL CENTER ON ITS GOLDEN
ANNIVERSARY AND COMMENDING ITS FIFTY YEARS OF ENCHANTMENT,
ENTERTAINMENT, AND EDUCATION.

1 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives is proud to recognize
2 those exceptional individuals, groups, and organizations that
3 work at perpetuating the Hawaiian culture and other cultures of
4 the Pacific; and

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6 WHEREAS, in 1963 the Polynesian Cultural Center began as a
7 cultural theme attraction located in Lā'ie to help preserve and
8 perpetuate numerous Polynesian cultures; and

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10 WHEREAS, when the Polynesian Cultural Center first opened
11 its doors, it was predicted to be a failure due to its remote
12 location in Lā'ie; and

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14 WHEREAS, fifty years later, with an annual revenue of
15 \$60 million, the Polynesian Cultural Center is the top paid
16 visitor attraction in the State of Hawai'i, featuring the
17 villages of Aotearoa, Fiji, Hawai'i, Samoa, Tahiti, and Tonga, a
18 Lu'au, and a world-renowned evening show, with over 700,000
19 visitors per year; and

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21 WHEREAS, the Polynesian Cultural Center serves as one of
22 the biggest economic engines on the North Shore of O'ahu,
23 employing over 400 local residents, 240 of which are full-time
24 employees; and

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26 WHEREAS, the Polynesian Cultural Center supports
27 organizations such as the Hula Preservation Society, Miss
28 Hawai'i, Aloha Council Boy Scouts, and Aloha United Way, and
29 provides college scholarship awards for children of employees
30 attending Kahuku High School; and

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1 WHEREAS, the world-renowned Polynesian Cultural Center
2 celebrates fifty years of educating its visitors about the
3 cultures of Aotearoa, Fiji, Hawai'i, Samoa, Tahiti, and Tonga,
4 and contributes to the greater good of Hawai'i by supporting its
5 surrounding community and the State of Hawai'i; now, therefore,
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7 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
8 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
9 Session of 2014, that this body congratulates the Polynesian
10 Cultural Center on its golden anniversary and commends its fifty
11 years of enchantment, entertainment, and education.
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