
HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING WINSTON SAKURAI AS THE 2016 NASSP HAWAII
PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR, MALAEA WETZEL AS THE 2015 NAESP
HAWAII NATIONAL DISTINGUISHED PRINCIPAL, DEAN CEVALLOS AS
THE RECIPIENT OF THE 2016 MASAYUKI TOKIOKA EXCELLENCE IN
SCHOOL LEADERSHIP AWARD, AND KAELEPULU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,
HAHAIONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND PALISADES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
AS 2015 HAWAII BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS.

1 WHEREAS, WINSTON SAKURAI, the Principal at Hanalani Upper
2 School, is the 2016 National Association of Secondary School
3 Principals Hawaii Principal of the Year, as a result of his
4 extraordinary dedication and passion to improving the school's
5 college acceptance rates and ensuring that students develop
6 essential skills to succeed, which has resulted in a 100 percent
7 college acceptance rate for the last 5 years; and
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9 WHEREAS, MALAEA WETZEL, the Principal at Haleiwa Elementary
10 School, is the 2015 National Association of Elementary School
11 Principals National Distinguished Principal, as a result of her
12 commitment and leadership, which has increased student
13 achievement and test scores; and
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15 WHEREAS, DEAN CEVALLOS, the Principal at Kea'au High School,
16 is the 2016 Masayuki Tokioka Excellence in School Leadership
17 Award recipient, as a result of his programs to decrease school
18 suspensions and improve college acceptance rates; and
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20 WHEREAS, KAELEPULU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL has increased student
21 performance through the use of problem solving, life skills, and
22 Instructional Leadership Teams to evaluate student performance,
23 meriting KAELEPULU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL's status as a 2015 Hawaii
24 Blue Ribbon School; and
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26 WHEREAS, HAHAIONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL's success is based upon
27 the empowerment of its students and the International



1 Baccalaureate World School program, which has led to impressive
2 scholastic progression in the student body as a whole, earning
3 the school a 2015 Hawaii Blue Ribbon School Award; and
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5 WHEREAS, PALISADES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL has served the Pearl
6 City community since 1965; the school supports lifelong learning
7 and provides students with the instruction needed to succeed and
8 live up to their full potential, which merits PALISADES
9 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL's status as a 2015 Hawaii Blue Ribbon School;
10 now, therefore,
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12 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
13 Twenty-Eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
14 Session of 2016, that this body hereby commends, congratulates,
15 and honors WINSTON SAKURAI, MALAEA WETZEL, DEAN CEVALLOS,
16 KAELEPULU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HAHAIONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND
17 PALISADES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL for their outstanding
18 accomplishments and much-deserved recognition, and extends to
19 all of them its sincere mahalo and best wishes for continued
20 success in all future endeavors.
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