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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING MIKI K. NISHIZAWA ON BEING AWARDED THE 2016  
TOMORROW'S LEADERS AWARD.

1           WHEREAS, our youth represent the foundation of Hawaii's  
2 future, and the Legislature is always proud to recognize the  
3 achievements of those conscientious, energetic, and talented  
4 individuals who epitomize the best and the brightest of Hawaii's  
5 next generation; and  
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7           WHEREAS, the Tomorrow's Leaders Award honors youth who have  
8 dedicated their efforts to support victims of crimes by taking a  
9 stance against bullying, peer pressure, domestic violence,  
10 stalking, human trafficking, child abuse, campus sexual assault,  
11 and victimization of minority communities; and  
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13           WHEREAS, MIKI K. NISHIZAWA began her advocacy work while  
14 still a student at Waipahu High School and at the University of  
15 Hawaii, she has continued to lead efforts to raise awareness  
16 about teen and domestic violence through her work with Parents  
17 and Children Together, which has resulted in significant impacts  
18 on both local and national levels; and  
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20           WHEREAS, MIKI K. NISHIZAWA joined Waipahu High School's  
21 Youth for Safety Club, which was initially intended to address  
22 classroom, road, and vehicle safety; she soon realized that her  
23 fellow classmates were also being impacted by teen and domestic  
24 violence and as a result, she initiated a collaboration with  
25 social service providers to create a template for all Hawaii  
26 schools to use as they join efforts to prevent teen and domestic  
27 violence; and  
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29           WHEREAS, MIKI K. NISHIZAWA's strength of character and  
30 demonstrated integrity have earned her the trust of both her  
31 fellow students and school administrators; she has also taken  
32 her work beyond the school and into the Waipahu community, the



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1 Hawaii State Keiki Caucus, and to national youth organizations;  
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4 WHEREAS, MIKI K. NISHIZAWA has also rallied the Legislature  
5 to focus on bills supporting domestic violence education at the  
6 school level and her efforts have reached an entirely new group  
7 of individuals in the student community who would have otherwise  
8 not been aware of the support available to them; and

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10 WHEREAS, MIKI K. NISHIZAWA serves as an inspiration to the  
11 young people of Hawaii to follow their dreams and have the  
12 courage and dedication to live up to their full potential; now,  
13 therefore,

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15 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
16 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
17 Session of 2016, that this body hereby commends and applauds  
18 MIKI K. NISHIZAWA for being awarded the 2016 Tomorrow's Leaders  
19 Award, for her efforts and commitment to promote awareness of  
20 teen and domestic violence, and extends to her its warmest aloha  
21 and best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

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