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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE HONOREES AND DISTINGUISHED FINALISTS OF THE BOYS  
& GIRLS CLUBS - STATE OF HAWAII'S 2019 YOUTH OF THE YEAR  
AWARDS.

1           WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs of America is an  
2 organization that operates drop-in service facilities that  
3 provide a safe, supportive, non-judgmental, nurturing, and  
4 supervised environment where children from age 9 to 17 can be  
5 themselves, interact with positive role models, and learn the  
6 values and skills that promote a successful future; and  
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8           WHEREAS, the annual Boys & Girls Clubs of America Youth of  
9 the Year program offers exceptional teens the opportunity to be  
10 recognized for choices and positive behavior that warrant  
11 celebration; this premier character and leadership program is an  
12 effective tool for fostering personal growth and leadership  
13 qualities in participants, such as volunteering within their  
14 club, community, and family; excelling in their academics;  
15 honing their public speaking ability; cultivating strong values;  
16 and realizing their life goals; and  
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18           WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs - State of Hawaii have  
19 chosen members from across the state as Youth of the Year  
20 honorees, including AMIRA EDWARDS, LOGAN BORCHARDT, OWEN STRONG,  
21 TAHITI AHSAM, LYNNEA LOPEZ, NAOMI FARNSWORTH, FRANCO MELGAR  
22 MARTICH, KEIKELANI HARDEN, ALYANA-MARIE CASTILLO, EVELYN RIKAT,  
23 DARIUS AGOR, DEVAUGHN REDD, JESSICA-ANN HERMAN, KODY KOBAYASHI,  
24 BRYDEN KA'AUWAI, LOLEINA KAMAKA, LEI-SHELL KAPIHE, HANNAH  
25 BETHARD, KIANA KANESHIRO, CHASSEN KOSI-CORTEZ, ANISSA ORTIZ-  
26 ESQUIVEL, and AZANA QUEEN; and  
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28           WHEREAS, the honorees have been narrowed down to five  
29 finalists: KIANA KANESHIRO, CHASSEN KOSI-CORTEZ, and ANISSA  
30 ORTIZ-ESQUIVEL for the Boys & Girls Clubs - State of Hawaii's  
31 Youth of the Year; and AZANA QUEEN and HANNAH BETHARD for the



1 Boys & Girls Clubs - State of Hawaii's Military Youth of the  
2 Year; and  
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4 WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs - State of Hawaii's Youth  
5 of the Year winner will go on to compete in the Pacific Region  
6 and National Youth of the Year competitions; the Boys & Girls  
7 Clubs - State of Hawaii's Military Youth of the Year winner will  
8 join fellow finalists in the national Military Youth of the Year  
9 competition; now, therefore,  
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11 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
12 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of  
13 2019, that this body hereby commends and congratulates the  
14 honorees and distinguished finalists of the Boys & Girls Clubs -  
15 State of Hawaii's Youth of the Year Awards and wishes them the  
16 best of luck as they move further through the competition.  
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