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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE PROBATE COURT TO INCREASE TRANSPARENCY REGARDING
THE KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS TRUSTEE SELECTION PROCESS.

1 WHEREAS, Kamehameha Schools was established by the will of
2 Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop to create educational
3 opportunities in perpetuity to improve the capability and well-
4 being of people of Hawaiian ancestry; and

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6 WHEREAS, in accordance with the will of Bernice Pauahi
7 Bishop, the governance of Kamehameha Schools rests with a Board
8 of Trustees who provide the strategic direction and focus
9 necessary to fulfill and sustain the vision, mission, and values
10 of Kamehameha Schools; and

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12 WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is comprised of five
13 individuals who are equally vested with the responsibility and
14 duty of collectively carrying out the testamentary will of
15 Bernice Pauahi Bishop; and

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17 WHEREAS, the sole purpose of the Board of Trustees is to
18 set policy, while the day-to-day management of the institution
19 rests with a board-appointed Chief Executive Officer and the
20 Chief Executive Officer's chosen managerial staff; and

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22 WHEREAS, the probate court is responsible for the trustee
23 selection process and chooses the members of the Trustee
24 Screening Committee; and

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26 WHEREAS, the probate court has not been fully transparent
27 on the qualifications of and the method by which the members of
28 the Trustee Screening Committee are chosen; and

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30 WHEREAS, according to the January 6, 2000, court order
31 establishing the trustee selection process, the Trustee
32 Screening Committee members shall be familiar with and sensitive
33 to:



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- 2 (1) The history and role of the Trust Estate relative to
- 3 the Hawaiian community and the community at large; and
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- 5 (2) Pauahi's legacy and her vision for the education and
- 6 advancement of Hawaiian children;
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8 now, therefore,

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10 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature

11 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019, the House of

12 Representatives concurring, that the probate court is requested

13 to recognize that Kamehameha Schools stakeholders, who include

14 the greater native Hawaiian community; all the beneficiaries of

15 the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Estate; Kamehameha Schools alumni,

16 faculty, and staff; and parents of current beneficiaries of

17 Kamehameha's educational services, should be afforded a greater

18 role in decisions affecting the Trust Estate; and

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the probate court is requested

21 to:

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- 23 (1) Fully observe the terms of the January 6, 2000, court
- 24 order, especially as it relates to the composition of
- 25 the Trustee Screening Committee;
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- 27 (2) Appoint future Trustee Screening Committees that are
- 28 comprised of Kamehameha Schools stakeholders; and
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- 30 (3) Be transparent on the qualifications of and the method
- 31 by which the members of the Trustee Screening
- 32 Committee are chosen; and
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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this

35 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Justice of the

36 Hawaii Supreme Court, Chief Administrator of the Courts, and

37 Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Kamehameha Schools.

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