
HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING PETER APO FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND
CONTRIBUTION TO THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN
PEOPLE.

1 WHEREAS, in 1961 PETER APO, a native Hawaiian who grew up
2 in Makaha, graduated from the University of Oregon after
3 attending high school at the Mid-Pacific Institute.

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5 WHEREAS, PETER APO began his distinguished public service
6 career by serving on the first Board of Trustees of the Office
7 of Hawaiian Affairs in 1980 returning to this position in 2010
8 for an additional two terms ending in 2018; and

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10 WHEREAS, PETER APO continued his admirable service with
11 twelve years as a state legislature in the Hawai'i State House
12 of Representatives rising to become Vice-Speaker; and

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14 WHEREAS, in addition to his state government experience,
15 PETER APO has a respected community service record serving as
16 Director of Culture & Arts and Director of the Waikiki
17 Development for the City & County of Honolulu, and on the board
18 of the Hawai'i Visitors & Convention Bureau; and

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20 WHEREAS, due to his loyal service in the legislature and
21 community, PETER APO had the privilege of being appointed
22 Special Assistant on Hawaiian Affairs under Governor Ben
23 Cayetano; and

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25 WHEREAS, his admirable, forward-thinking and unwavering
26 commitment to the Native Hawaiian people in addition to his
27 years of public service led the Department of Defense to appoint
28 PETER APO Civilian Aide to the U.S. Secretary of Army for
29 Hawai'i; and

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31 WHEREAS, throughout his career, PETER APO has supported
32 education and native Hawaiian culture by serving as a Regent of
33 Chaminade University, chairing the board of directors for both
34 the Historic Hawai'i Foundation and the Pacific Islanders in



1 Communications National Public Broadcasting Network Hawai'i, and
2 was a founding member of the Native Hawaiian Hospitality
3 Association; and
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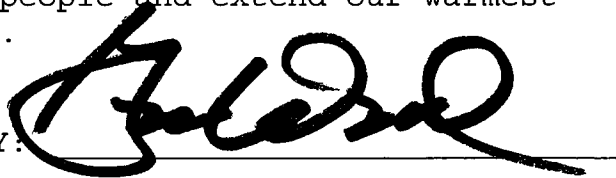
5 WHEREAS, PETER APO'S long history of service spans to the
6 private sector as well, where he currently serves as President
7 of the Peter Apo Company, a Hawaiian event planning consultant
8 agency; and
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10 WHEREAS, PETER APO has been recognized as a great musician,
11 singer-songwriter and recording artist by winning the
12 prestigious Na Hoku Hanohano Hawai'i music award; and
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14 WHEREAS, PETER APO is an author of numerous articles and
15 manuscripts on Hawaiian politics and culture and regularly
16 speaks on topics ranging from Hawaiian culture, Hawai'i
17 political systems, and sustainable growth issues and continues
18 to serve the community on numerous boards and commissions; now,
19 therefore,
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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
22 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
23 2020, that this body recognizes PETER APO for his outstanding
24 service, accomplishments and contribution to the State of
25 Hawai'i and the Native Hawaiian people and extend our warmest
26 wishes for his continued success.
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