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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE STATE'S COMMITMENT TO HONORING HAWAII'S ROLE IN DEVELOPING THE NATIONAL SPACE PROGRAM BY EXPLORING FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT AND FUND HAWAII-BASED COMPANIES THAT ARE CARRYING OUT INNOVATIVE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

1           WHEREAS, for more than fifty years, Hawaii has played a  
2 critical role in developing and supporting our national space  
3 program; and  
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5           WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii, Hawaii-based companies  
6 and Hawaii-based members of the United States military have  
7 trained astronauts, developed world-class observatories,  
8 expanded satellite communications, enhanced environmental  
9 monitoring and deep-space surveillance, and made other  
10 contributions to national and global space exploration; and  
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12           WHEREAS, in 1969, Kokee Tracking Station on the island of  
13 Kauai provided voice relay and telemetry data communications  
14 between the Apollo 11 astronauts and the National Aeronautics  
15 and Space Administration's mission control center in Houston,  
16 Texas; and  
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18           WHEREAS, astronauts have carried out training missions on  
19 Halemaumau crater, Kapoho, Kilauea Iki crater, Aloi and Alea  
20 craters, Kilauea Hualalai volcano, Mauna Kea volcano, and Mauna  
21 Loa volcano; and  
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23           WHEREAS, in 2003, Expedition 7 astronaut Ed Lu commemorated  
24 Hawaii's contributions to space exploration by wearing an aloha  
25 shirt and demonstrating the Hawaiian percussive instrument puili  
26 sticks aboard the International Space Station; and  
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28           WHEREAS, the State's continued support for Hawaii-based  
29 companies that are innovating in fields like space science and  
30 robotics is a way to honor and build on this legacy; now,  
31 therefore,



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BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Legislature expresses the State's commitment to honoring Hawaii's role in developing the national space program by exploring further opportunities to support and fund Hawaii-based companies that are carrying out innovative scientific research; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that examples of the types of technology and projects the State should support and consider providing funding for include moon exploration, tele-robotic systems, communication networks, cis-lunar positioning and navigation systems, and prototype lunar architectures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration; Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; and President of the University of Hawaii.

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