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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS IN
THE STATE TO VIGOROUSLY ENFORCE AND PROSECUTE OFFENSES
COMMITTED AGAINST ESSENTIAL WORKERS WHILE ON THE JOB.

1 WHEREAS, the outbreak of the novel coronavirus disease,
2 SARS-CoV-2, has given rise to the public's reliance upon a
3 multitude of workers for essential services, such as health
4 care, grocery and food service, hospitality, airline travel, and
5 ground transportation; and

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7 WHEREAS, essential workers' jobs often involve a high
8 degree of face-to-face interaction with the public; and

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10 WHEREAS, in the course of their employment, essential
11 workers are required to relay to customers and other members of
12 the public government-enacted emergency rules and orders; and

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14 WHEREAS, in the course of their employment, essential
15 workers are also required to enforce these rules and orders; and

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17 WHEREAS, it is unacceptable that essential workers are
18 often harassed or confronted, sometimes physically, while trying
19 to do their jobs by persons who do not wish to follow the
20 emergency rules and orders; now, therefore,

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22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
23 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021,
24 that all law enforcement officers and prosecuting attorneys in
25 the State are urged to vigorously enforce and prosecute offenses
26 committed against essential workers while on the job; and



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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Chief of Police and Prosecuting
3 Attorney of each county.

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OFFERED BY:

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