
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES TO PERMANENTLY CANCEL
RIMPAC EXERCISES IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the Rim of the Pacific Exercise, or RIMPAC, is the
2 world's largest international maritime warfare exercise and has
3 been held biannually in Hawaii since 1971; and
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5 WHEREAS, the six-week exercise generally brings to the
6 State representatives from more than twenty countries and more
7 than twenty-five thousand additional military personnel; and
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9 WHEREAS, military sea exercises during RIMPAC damage
10 corals; disrupt marine mammals' group communication, hunting,
11 and breeding; and cause sonar-related injuries and deaths for
12 marine mammals and fish; and
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14 WHEREAS, according to the Hawaii Commission on the Status
15 of Women, women and gender minorities are at increased risk of
16 violence and sex trafficking during RIMPAC due to the heightened
17 presence of military personnel; and
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19 WHEREAS, state, national, and international organizations
20 have petitioned for the end of RIMPAC based, in part, on the
21 harm the exercise causes to Hawaii's environment, animals, and
22 people; now, therefore,
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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
25 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
26 Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, that the United States
27 Armed Forces are urged to permanently cancel RIMPAC exercises in
28 Hawaii; and
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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
31 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the
32 United States, Secretary of Defense, Chair of the Joint Chiefs



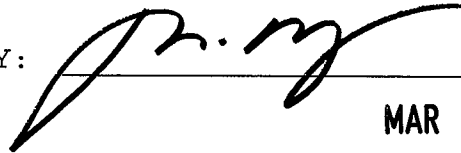
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1 of Staff, United States Army Pacific Commanding General, United
2 States Navy

3 Pacific Fleet Commander, United States Pacific Air Forces
4 Commander, United States Marine Corps Forces Pacific Commander,
5 and United States Coast Guard District Fourteen Commander.

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OFFERED BY:

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