
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 24, 2023 AS "REMEMBER UKRAINE DAY IN
HAWAII."

1 WHEREAS, on February 24, 2022, the military forces of
2 Russia under the command of President Vladimir Putin attacked
3 its peaceful neighboring country of Ukraine with an unprovoked
4 invasion, with the aim of undermining both the freedom of the
5 Ukrainian people and subverting global movements for democracy;
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8 WHEREAS, people all over the world were deeply moved by the
9 tragic loss of human life, intentional targeting of Ukrainian
10 noncombatants and massive destruction inflicted upon Ukraine as
11 a result of Russia's aggression; and

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13 WHEREAS, the invasion of Ukraine is a dangerous development
14 that has world-reaching implications, especially in how
15 aggressive regimes that are at odds with freedom or democracy
16 treat weaker neighbors; and

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18 WHEREAS, how the United States of America and the free
19 world respond diplomatically, ideologically, and most
20 importantly, morally to the invasion of Ukraine sets a precedent
21 that countries like the People's Republic of China are closely
22 observing as they continue to have territorial ambitions for the
23 Republic of Taiwan; and

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25 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii is concerned about the
26 possibility of new conflicts, new escalations, and new crises in
27 the Indo-Pacific region that may result if weakness is perceived
28 in the Western world's response to the Russian invasion of
29 Ukraine, and therefore believes freedom-loving people everywhere
30 must condemn aggression and land grabs; and

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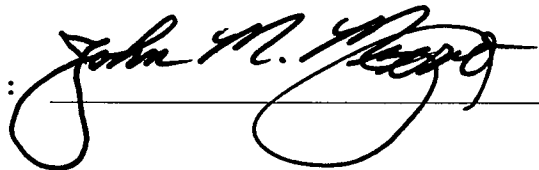
1 WHEREAS, the people of the State of Hawaii stand in
 2 solidarity with the people of Ukraine, as the military conflict
 3 there affects us all and represents a symbolic conflict between
 4 democracy and tyranny, in which we must all stand for the rights
 5 of our fellow human beings; and

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 7 WHEREAS, during the 2022 General Assembly of the Hawaii
 8 Government Employees Association, Resolution 1, "Urging the
 9 Hawaii State Legislature to Show Solidarity with the People of
 10 Ukraine Against Russian Aggression by Declaring February 24,
 11 2023 as 'Remember Ukraine Day in Hawaii'" was introduced and
 12 passed with unanimous consent; now, therefore,

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 14 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 15 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
 16 Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, declares February 24,
 17 2023 as Remember Ukraine Day in Hawaii; and

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 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 20 concurrent resolution shall be transmitted to the Hawaii
 21 Government Employees Association; the Governor of Hawaii; the
 22 U.S. Secretary of State; the President of the United States of
 23 America; the U.S. Representative to the United Nations; and the
 24 President of Ukraine.

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