
HOUSE 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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32 WHEREAS, the people of the State of Hawaii stand in
33 solidarity with the people of Ukraine, as the military conflict
34 there affects us all and represents a symbolic conflict between



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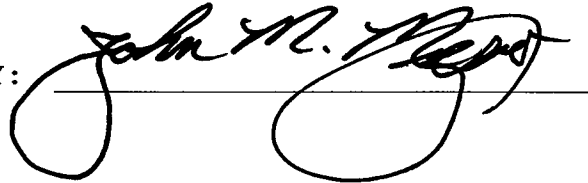
1 democracy and tyranny, in which we must all stand for the rights
2 of our fellow human beings; and

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

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11 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
12 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
13 Session of 2023, declares February 24, 2023 as Remember Ukraine
14 Day in Hawaii and

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

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