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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE HAWAII SISTER-STATE COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND THE  
INITIATION OF A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HAWAII  
AND FUJIAN PROVINCE.

1           WHEREAS, Hawaii's relations with sister states and  
2 provinces are governed by chapter 229, Hawaii Revised Statutes;  
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5           WHEREAS, pursuant to section 229-3, Hawaii Revised  
6 Statutes, the initiation of a sister-state relationship between  
7 Hawaii and another state or province follows an evaluation and  
8 recommendation by the Hawaii Sister-State Committee, which then  
9 forwards its recommendation to the Legislature for its  
10 consideration; and

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12           WHEREAS, the Legislature, if it so chooses, implements the  
13 Hawaii Sister-State Committee's recommendation to initiate a  
14 sister-state or province relationship by either adopting a  
15 concurrent resolution or enacting a session law for that  
16 purpose; and

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18           WHEREAS, Hawaii already has sister-state relations with  
19 three entities in the Greater China region: Guangdong  
20 (established in 1985), Hainan (established in 1992), and Taiwan  
21 (established in 1993); and

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23           WHEREAS, Fujian province is a southeastern Chinese province  
24 with a population of approximately 41,500,000 and has the  
25 second-highest gross domestic product per capita of all  
26 provinces in China; and

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28           WHEREAS, on October 21, 2021, the mayors of Honolulu and  
29 Fuzhou, the capital city of Fujian province, established a  
30 sister-city relationship via video link; now, therefore,



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BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Hawaii Sister-State Committee is urged to recommend the initiation of a sister-state relationship between Hawaii and Fujian province; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and Chairperson of the Hawaii Sister-State Committee.

OFFERED BY: 

