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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE CAPITOL MODERN MUSEUM AND STATE FOUNDATION ON
CULTURE AND THE ARTS TO INCREASE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARTISTS,
SONGWRITERS, AND PRODUCERS TO SHOWCASE THEIR TALENT ON A
PUBLIC PLATFORM WHILE FOSTERING ACCESS TO ALL FORMS OF ART.

1 WHEREAS, the Capitol Modern is a free public art museum
2 located in downtown Honolulu that enhances the profound
3 combination of mixed cultures of the State of Hawaii while
4 providing educational learning experiences to the general public
5 and youth; and

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7 WHEREAS, in 1967, Hawaii became the first state in the
8 nation to adopt a percent-for-art law with the enactment of the
9 Art in State Buildings law, which designates one percent of
10 construction costs of new buildings for the acquisition of works
11 of art, either by commission or purchase; and

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13 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Art in State Buildings law is
14 to elevate and humanize state buildings and to increase public
15 access to the arts; and

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17 WHEREAS, in 1989, the Legislature created the works of art
18 special fund, expanding upon the provisions of the Art in State
19 Buildings law to include having works of art available to all
20 state public places; and

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22 WHEREAS, there are now more than three hundred public art
23 programs nationwide at the federal, state, and county levels;
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26 WHEREAS, since the enactment of the Art in State Buildings
27 law, the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (SFCA) has
28 acquired works from local and international artists and from
29 curated exhibits across the State; and
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1 WHEREAS, works of art enhance the physical environment of
2 state buildings while providing educational experiences of
3 visual arts to the public through the Art in Public Places
4 program; and

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6 WHEREAS, the work of the program partners and youth
7 participants further encourages a celebration of arts and
8 culture while elevating Hawaiian culture and other heritages
9 through displays of work representing different social groups,
10 nations, and customs; and

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12 WHEREAS, the youth art programs raise awareness about art
13 education while creating diversity in the representation of
14 cultures and equity for all youth who want to compete; and

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16 WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the value of student
17 artist internships and art education as important foundations to
18 teach, train, equip, and empower student artists, and to
19 encourage local talent and help independent producers grow their
20 artistry; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that the Hawaiian
23 culture personifies the people of Hawaii with an identity that
24 makes our State unique, original, and different; now, therefore,

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26 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second
27 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2024, the
28 House of Representatives concurring, that the Capitol Modern
29 museum and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts are
30 encouraged to increase opportunities for artists, songwriters,
31 and producers to showcase their talent on a public platform
32 while fostering access to all forms of art, including fine arts,
33 performing arts, music, filmmaking, digital arts, literature,
34 wood carving, photography, and ceramics; and

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36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Capitol Modern museum and
37 State Foundation on Culture and the Arts are urged to focus on
38 education, extracurricular activity, and career development
39 strategies for art students from kindergarten through twelfth
40 grade and at the college level to enhance their learning
41 experience with access to career pathways, scholarships, grants,
42 and apprenticeship opportunities; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Capitol Modern museum and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts are urged to develop collaborations with other art-focused entities, including the Honolulu Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts, Hawaii Theatre, Honolulu Youth Theatre, Diamond Head Theatre, and Hawaii Youth Symphony; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Capitol Modern museum and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts are urged to consider partnering with public and private schools nationally and across the State to equip and empower youth to elevate their art productions while further creating accessibility in art programming and resources for the youth of Hawaii; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Capitol Modern museum and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts are urged to focus on exemplifying the Hawaiian culture through its collaborations, partnerships, and displays of art; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Executive Director of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, Director of the Capitol Modern museum, Executive Director of the Honolulu Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Hawaii Theatre, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Hawaii Youth Symphony, Executive Director of the Diamond Head Theatre, and Managing Director of the Honolulu Theatre for Youth.

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