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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HAWAIIAN HISTORY MONTH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in the month of
2 September, Queen Liliuokalani's birth, life, and legacy is
3 remembered and celebrated in the Hawaiian community, including
4 at churches and Hawaiian organizations, such as Kawaiahao
5 Church's Alii Sunday, the Liliuokalani Trust Kipuka (children
6 centers), and the Kamehameha Schools.

7 The legislature further finds that the Hawaii Pono
8 Coalition, founded in 2007, was formed to educate those who live
9 in and visit the islands about Hawaii's true history, the Native
10 Hawaiian people, and the culture that makes Hawaii a place like
11 no other. In September 2007, the Coalition launched a
12 commemorative event on the grounds of Iolani Palace to celebrate
13 the birthday of Queen Liliuokalani.

14 The legislature concludes that designating September as
15 Hawaiian History Month would be an appropriate way to honor
16 Queen Liliuokalani and recognize the contributions of the Native



1 Hawaiian community, while also providing community building,
2 educational, and economic opportunities.

3 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to designate
4 September as Hawaiian History Month.

5 SECTION 2. Chapter 8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
6 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
7 read as follows:

8 "§8- Hawaiian History Month. The month of September
9 shall be known and designated as "Hawaiian History Month" to
10 promote public awareness, honor Queen Liliuokalani, and
11 recognize the contributions of the Native Hawaiian community.
12 This month is not and shall not be construed as a state
13 holiday."

14 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: 



S.B. NO. 1051

Report Title:

Hawaiian History Month; Month of Observance

Description:

Designates September as Hawaiian History Month.

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