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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING AND ENCOURAGING A BROADER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE
STATE AND THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN.

1 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the State to
2 cultivate meaningful relationships with countries and
3 governments to collaborate on solutions to shared challenges;
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6 WHEREAS, the State and the Kingdom of Sweden share common
7 challenges as geographically distinct regions with unique
8 environmental, economic, and social concerns; and
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10 WHEREAS, both the State and Sweden have prioritized the
11 transition to renewable energy, with the State striving to
12 achieve one hundred percent renewable energy by 2045 and Sweden
13 emerging as a global leader in clean energy, particularly in
14 wind, solar, and bioenergy; and
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16 WHEREAS, the State can learn from Sweden's advancements in
17 energy efficiency, smart grid technology, and sustainable urban
18 planning to support its clean energy goals and enhance
19 infrastructure resilience; and
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21 WHEREAS, both the State and Sweden are dedicated to
22 environmental protection and climate action, with Sweden being
23 one of the world's most environmentally friendly nations by
24 implementing ambitious policies to reduce carbon emissions and
25 promote circular economies; and
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27 WHEREAS, Sweden has established a robust public
28 transportation system that integrates rail, bus, and cycling
29 infrastructure, providing valuable insight for the State's
30 efforts to expand multimodal transportation and reduce
31 dependency on automobiles; and
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1 WHEREAS, both the State and Sweden place strong emphasis on
2 education, research, and innovation, and foster world-class
3 universities and research institutions that collaborate on
4 technology, sustainability, and public health initiatives; and
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6 WHEREAS, Sweden's expertise in sustainable tourism and
7 balancing economic growth with environmental and cultural
8 preservation, aligns with the State's goals to promote
9 responsible tourism and protect the State's natural resources;
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12 WHEREAS, Sweden has a comprehensive social welfare system
13 that ensures high-quality healthcare, education, and work-life
14 balance, offering valuable models for the State's efforts to
15 improve social equity and quality of life for its residents; and
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17 WHEREAS, fostering a broader relationship between the State
18 and Sweden would strengthen diplomatic ties, encourage economic
19 partnerships, and facilitate knowledge exchange in key areas
20 such as renewable energy, environmental sustainability,
21 education, and public health; now, therefore,
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23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
24 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025, the
25 House of Representatives concurring, that this body supports and
26 encourages a broader relationship between the State and the
27 Kingdom of Sweden; and
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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
30 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and
31 Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.
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