The Senate Commends and Congratulates The Nanakuli High & Intermediate School Golden Hawks Varsity Football Team 2014 OIA Division II Champions

The Senate is pleased to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of Hawaii's student athletes who exemplify the spirit of good sportsmanship, and who thrive as a result of their hard work and perseverance. Accordingly, the Senate recognizes the The Nanakuli High & Intermediate School Golden Hawks Varsity Football Team for having won the 2014 Oahu Interscholastic Association Division II Championship.

The team faced many challenges this year, not only on the field but also in the classroom. Led by Head Coach Keala Watson, the team participated in early study halls to ensure the players remained academically eligible throughout the season. Their hard work in the classroom, on the field, and in participating in various community service projects helped the team build character and enabled them to play at a consistently high level for the duration of the season.

The Golden Hawks made it to the OIA Division II Championship and persevered against the Pearl City Chargers, resulting in a 30-30 ties at the end of regular play in the 4th quarter. The Golden Hawks went on to beat the Chargers in overtime 37-36 and won it's first OIA title since 1983. The Golden Hawks completed their season and post-season with an undefeated record of 10-0.

The successful season was all the more compelling with the strong support and encouragement of players' and coaches' families, the NHIS student body and the entire community that reveled in the Golden Hawks' wins week after week.

The Senate of the Twenty-seventh Hawaii State Legislature hereby commends and congratulates the **OIA Division II Champion NHIS Golden Hawks Division II Varsity Football Team**, and further extends its warmest Aloha and best wishes for many more victories in the years ahead.