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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING ADOPTION OF THE UNITED NATION'S MILLENNIUM GOALS.

1           WHEREAS, in 2000, world leaders in the United Nations  
2 Millennium Declaration committed to achieve eight Millennium  
3 Development Goals by 2015; and  
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5           WHEREAS, both rich and poor countries committed to  
6 eradicate extreme poverty and hunger, achieve universal primary  
7 education, promote gender equality and empower women, reduce  
8 child mortality, improve maternal health, combat HIV/AIDS,  
9 malaria, and other diseases, ensure environmental  
10 sustainability, and develop a global partnership for  
11 development; and  
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13           WHEREAS, the Millennium Development Goals reflect goals and  
14 benchmarks consistent with Hawaii's commitment to  
15 sustainability; and  
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17           WHEREAS, the Millennium Goals represent an agreement  
18 between rich and poor countries for each to take appropriate  
19 steps towards their achievement; and  
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21           WHEREAS, poor countries pledged to reform policies, to  
22 improve governance, and to channel resources to development  
23 objectives, as embodied in the goals; and  
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25           WHEREAS, developed and more prosperous countries promised  
26 to provide increasingly effective aid, faster debt relief, and  
27 fairer trade rules; and  
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29           WHEREAS, today, the world has sufficient money and  
30 knowledge to achieve these goals but the governments of the  
31 world lack the political commitment to make this happen; and  
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1 WHEREAS, in their book, "What can one person do?", Sabina  
2 Alkire and Edmund Newell suggest several actions individuals can  
3 take that will have a real impact on extreme poverty; and  
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5 WHEREAS, these actions include prayer, study and discussion  
6 of issues of poverty, giving a suggested .7 per cent of  
7 individual income towards the millennium development goals,  
8 volunteering labor or services to assist those in poverty,  
9 raising public awareness of the millennium development goals,  
10 and urging government officials to address issues of global  
11 poverty; now, therefore,  
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13 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
14 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
15 Session of 2007, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature  
16 endorses and accepts the United Nations Millennium Development  
17 Goals as components of a framework for assessing Hawaii's  
18 efforts towards sustainability; and  
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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature urges the  
21 county councils to endorse and utilize the United Nations  
22 Millennium Development Goals as indicators for each county's  
23 efforts towards sustainability; and  
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
26 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the  
27 Attorney General, the Director of Finance, the Superintendent of  
28 Education, the Director of Health, the Director of Human  
29 Services, the Director of Public Safety, and the Chairperson of  
30 the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii, and the Mayor  
31 and the council chairperson of the respective counties.  
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