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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND HONORING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE SMALL BUSINESS  
ADMINISTRATION'S 2007 SMALL BUSINESS AWARDS.

1           WHEREAS, while the natural beauty of Hawaii is recognized  
2 throughout the world, the real beauty of our island state lies  
3 in its people, who through their personal and professional  
4 relationships have dedicated their efforts to serve the needs of  
5 the people of Hawaii and create the prosperity and high  
6 standards of living which we all enjoy; and  
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8           WHEREAS, Hawaii's small business owners represent an  
9 essential component of our economy, providing critical jobs and  
10 generating much-needed revenue and business activity for our  
11 State; and  
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13           WHEREAS, the Small Business Administration is a federal  
14 agency dedicated to assisting those unique individuals who have  
15 the energy, vision, and work ethic to manage and lead their own  
16 small businesses; and  
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18           WHEREAS, each year, in addition to all of its programs and  
19 activities designed to promote and protect small businesses, the  
20 SBA recognizes the accomplishments and achievements of those  
21 outstanding small business owners and leaders who display the  
22 highest levels of entrepreneurial spirit by selecting recipients  
23 for its Small Business Awards; and  
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25           WHEREAS, the Small Business Awards encompass a wide variety  
26 of categories relating to small business, including export  
27 businesses, family-owned businesses, home-based businesses,  
28 journalism, and financial services, among others; and  
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30           WHEREAS, recipients of the Small Business Awards have  
31 demonstrated the highest levels of hard work and commitment,  
32 willingness to assist others in their trade or in their



1 community, innovation and creativity, and resiliency in the face  
2 of adversity; now, therefore,

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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
5 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
6 Session of 2007, that this body hereby commends and honors the  
7 following recipients of the Small Business Administration's 2007  
8 Small Business Awards:

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- 10 (1) Malcolm Koga and Glenn Nohara, Small Business Person
- 11 of the Year Award;
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- 13 (2) Anthony Yamada, David Inouye, and Michael Inouye,
- 14 Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award;
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- 16 (3) Nobuo and Teruko Kuniyuki, Small Business Exporter of
- 17 the Year Award;
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- 19 (4) Alvin Makimoto, Family-Owned Small Business of the
- 20 Year Award;
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- 22 (5) Brian Iwata, Financial Services Champion of the Year
- 23 Award;
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- 25 (6) Lani Weigert, Alii Chang, and Marseu Simpson, Home-
- 26 Based Business Champion of the Year Award;
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- 28 (7) Evan and Kari Leong, Small Business Journalist of the
- 29 Year Award;
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- 31 (8) Dr. Tin Myaing Thein, Minority Small Business Champion
- 32 of the Year Award; and
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- 34 (9) Barbara Hastings and Barbra Pleadwell, Women in
- 35 Business Champion of the Year Award.
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