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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING HAWAII'S LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO USE THE "A CHILD IS MISSING" ALERT PROGRAM IN LOCATING MISSING PERSONS.

1 WHEREAS, the "A Child is Missing" (ACIM) Alert Program was
2 founded in 1997 as a nonprofit organization headquartered in
3 Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to assist law enforcement in locating
4 missing persons; and

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6 WHEREAS, through its rapid-response, neighborhood telephone
7 notification program, ACIM assists law enforcement in search and
8 early recovery efforts during the critical initial hours
9 following the disappearance of a child, elderly person, or
10 disabled person; and

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12 WHEREAS, ACIM uses high-tech telephony to make 1,000 calls
13 in 60 seconds, allowing ACIM to quickly transmit a missing
14 person alert to thousands of listed residents within the area
15 surrounding the site of the person's disappearance via
16 telephone, cell phone, or beepers, without jurisdictional
17 boundaries; and

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19 WHEREAS, the ACIM service is activated only when a law
20 enforcement officer notifies ACIM after verifying that a person
21 is missing; and

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23 WHEREAS, since its inception, ACIM has helped law
24 enforcement recover over 200 missing persons; and

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26 WHEREAS, ACIM is recognized by law enforcement agencies
27 across the nation for its effectiveness in helping to locate
28 missing persons; and

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1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's people, known as some of the most
2 compassionate in the nation, would readily respond to ACIM's
3 missing person alerts; and
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5 WHEREAS, the people of Hawaii would greatly benefit from
6 the ACIM service, which is available to law enforcement agencies
7 nationwide; now, therefore,
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9 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fourth
10 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2007, the
11 House of Representatives concurring, that the Legislature urges
12 Hawaii's law enforcement agencies to use the ACIM Alert Program
13 in locating missing persons; and
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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
16 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Public
17 Safety and the chiefs of each of the county police departments.
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OFFERED BY: _____

