
HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THOSE WHO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THE
FAMILIES OF DEPLOYED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

1 WHEREAS, there are over one million children who are the
2 sons or daughters of members of the Armed Forces; and
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4 WHEREAS, the families of members of the Armed Forces
5 provide unconditional love and support to their loved ones
6 serving in the Armed Forces before, during, and after their
7 deployment in service to the United States; and
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9 WHEREAS, by providing this vital support, these families
10 provide an essential service to their country, along with their
11 deployed family members; and
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13 WHEREAS, while significant government resources are made
14 available to the families of members of the Armed Forces who
15 reside on or near a military installation, resources for
16 families of deployed Reserve and National Guard members are
17 often not as accessible because these families do not reside
18 near a military installation; and
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20 WHEREAS, nonprofit organizations have filled this gap by
21 dedicating themselves to ensuring that children of military
22 families receive the support they need while their parents are
23 deployed; and
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25 WHEREAS, these services from nonprofit organizations
26 include crucial extracurricular activities and programs for
27 school-aged children of deployed Reserve and National Guard
28 members; and
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30 WHEREAS, the nonprofit organizations providing these
31 services include Our Military Kids, Inc., Parents as Teachers,
32 Citizen-Soldier Support program, Operation Homefront, Inc.,
33 American Military Family, Inc., and Kids Serve 2; and
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1 WHEREAS, these programs and organizations help the families
 2 of deployed Armed Forces members to maintain as normal a life as
 3 possible through services and grants that provide resources that
 4 might otherwise be unavailable to these families; now,
 5 therefore,

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 7 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 8 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
 9 Session of 2008, that this body hereby recognizes and commends
 10 those who provide support to the families of members of the
 11 Armed Forces; and

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 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body also honors military
 14 families and the nongovernmental organizations that support
 15 them; and

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 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 18 Resolution be transmitted to the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S.
 19 Marine Corps, U.S. Air Force, National Guard, Our Military Kids,
 20 Inc., Parents as Teachers, Citizen-Soldier Support program,
 21 Operation Homefront, Inc., American Military Family, Inc., and
 22 Kids Serve 2.
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