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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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SUPPORTING THE ELECTRIFICATION OF ENERGY-EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION  
SYSTEMS IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, approximately 1.13 million cars, trucks, sports  
2 utility vehicles, and motorcycles are registered in Hawaii; and  
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4 WHEREAS, drivers in Hawaii consume about 400 million  
5 gallons of gasoline annually to power their vehicles; and  
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7 WHEREAS, Hawaii's ground-transportation sector relies  
8 heavily on fossil fuels and consumes approximately 71 percent of  
9 the state's overall transportation fuel use; and  
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11 WHEREAS, the adoption of electric vehicles is an integral  
12 component toward achieving Hawaii's transportation energy-  
13 efficiency goals and reducing its reliance on fossil fuels; and  
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15 WHEREAS, developing an electric-vehicle infrastructure is a  
16 first and essential step in the electrification of  
17 transportation in Hawaii; and  
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19 WHEREAS, the electrification of transportation will create  
20 jobs, foster economic growth, reduce greenhouse-gas emissions,  
21 and stem the effects of climate change; and  
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23 WHEREAS, with technological developments and a push by  
24 domestic and international automakers to expedite the production  
25 and distribution of electric vehicles, Hawaii must be ready to  
26 embrace a new generation of ground transportation; and  
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28 WHEREAS, to create and expedite the transition from a  
29 fossil-fuel-based transportation system to a more energy-  
30 efficient, electricity-based system, key stakeholders in the  
31 community must provide effective leadership to transform this  
32 vision into reality; and



1 WHEREAS, the State must aggressively promote and develop  
2 alternatives to fossil-fuel-based modes of transportation,  
3 particularly through the use of electric vehicles; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the development of an electric-vehicle charging  
6 infrastructure is an important first step in the transformation  
7 of Hawaii's transportation future; now, therefore,  
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9 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
10 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
11 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that all relevant stakeholders,  
12 including the State and counties, automobile dealers, rental-car  
13 and commercial-fleet operators, and electric-vehicle  
14 manufacturers and infrastructure-development specialists  
15 collaborate to expedite the adoption of electric vehicles in  
16 Hawaii; and  
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
19 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to Hawaii's Congressional  
20 delegation; the United States Secretary of Transportation;  
21 United States Secretary of Energy; the Governor; Director of  
22 Transportation; Director of Business, Economic Development, and  
23 Tourism; mayors of the counties of Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai and  
24 the City and County of Honolulu; Hawaii Automobile Dealers  
25 Association; and Hawaii Transportation Alliance.

