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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING 2009 AS THE YEAR OF THE ARMY NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER
CORPS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY.

1 WHEREAS, the United States Army's professional
2 Noncommissioned Officer Corps has a proud history and has
3 distinguished itself throughout the world as the backbone of the
4 Army by leading the way with two tasks in mind: obeying the
5 orders of their superior officers to accomplish the mission, and
6 looking out for the welfare of their soldiers; and
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8 WHEREAS, noncommissioned officers in the Noncommissioned
9 Officer Corps occupy a position of respect and leadership, have
10 performed fundamental tasks such as small unit leaders,
11 technical experts, trainers, and perhaps most importantly, are
12 guardians of the Army's standards; and
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14 WHEREAS, the United States Army depends on the knowledge
15 and timeless qualities of leadership and courage that these
16 dedicated men and women possess, assigning them to lead the
17 charge from the front on today's battlefields in Operation Iraqi
18 Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and the
19 Philippines, and in other locations throughout the world; and
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21 WHEREAS, noncommissioned officers and their families have
22 made daily sacrifices and exemplified courage and a deep sense
23 of patriotism in their commitment to provide continual and
24 invaluable service in accomplishing and contributing to our
25 State and to this great nation, and have demonstrated their
26 dedication and willingness to sacrifice on behalf of their
27 fellow Americans; and
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29 WHEREAS, the Noncommissioned Officer Corps of the United
30 States Army has faced danger, endured hardships, and made the
31 ultimate sacrifice to defend our nation's freedoms; now,
32 therefore,
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S.C.R. NO. 47

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth
2 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2009, the
3 House of Representatives concurring, that the Legislature urges
4 the Governor to proclaim 2009 as the Year of the Noncommissioned
5 Officer Corps of the United States Army; and

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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
8 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Secretary of the
9 Army, the Chief of Staff of the United States Army, the
10 Commander, United States Pacific Command, and members of
11 Hawaii's congressional delegation.
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