HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII H.R. NO. 269

HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING PASTORS ELWIN P. AHU AND ROY YAMAMOTO JR. FOR THEIR SUCCESSFUL LEADERSHIP OF, AND DEDICATION TO, THE NEW HOPE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP.

WHEREAS, the people of Hawaii are proud to recognize those 1 2 unique individuals who selflessly give so much of their time, energies, and talents to faithfully serve the community and 3 contribute to the overall well-being of the state; and 4 5 WHEREAS, throughout history, religious institutions and the 6 moral and ethical values they instill upon society, have been 7 the cornerstone upon which nations have been created, grown, and 8 9 flourished; and 10 WHEREAS, PASTOR ELWIN P. AHU has contributed greatly to the 11 success of New Hope Christian Fellowship through his outreach 12 13 and fellowship efforts, touching the lives of thousands across the state; and 14 15 16 WHEREAS, PASTOR ELWIN P. AHU's devotion and dedication to sharing the Gospel of Christ continues to serve as a shining 17 beacon of inspiration for those who are blessed with his 18 leadership; and 19 20 21 WHEREAS, PASTOR ELWIN P. AHU uses his skills and experience as a former Circuit Court Judge to mentor future leaders; and 22 23 24 WHEREAS, PASTOR ELWIN P. AHU has also been blessed with the love and support of his wife, Joy, and two sons, Brandon and 25 Jared; 26 27 WHEREAS, through his tireless efforts as Prison Ministry 28 29 Pastor, ROY YAMAMOTO JR., has contributed greatly to the success of New Hope Christian Fellowship through his outreach and 30



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1 fellowship to thousands of Hawaii inmates here in the islands 2 and throughout the United States; and 3 4 WHEREAS, PASTOR ROY YAMAMOTO JR., has founded the New Start 5 Ministry, comprised of over 400 volunteers, that helps ex-6 inmates transition and reconnect with their families, and the 7 community; and 8 9 WHEREAS, in addition to his efforts in correctional institutions, PASTOR ROY YAMAMOTO JR., has engaged in numerous 10 speaking opportunities with youth regarding the dangers of 11 12 illegal drug use by sharing his personal testimony at schools 13 and outreach programs; and 14 15 WHEREAS, PASTOR ROY YAMAMOTO JR. has been able to 16 accomplish these tasks with the love and devotion that only a child can provide, that from his daughter Kristen; now, 17 18 therefore, 19 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 20 21 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, that this body hereby commends PASTOR ELWIN P. AHU and 22 23 PASTOR ROY YAMAMOTO JR. for their commitment to the spiritual health of the people of Hawaii, recognizes their important 24 contributions to the New Hope Christian Fellowship, and 25 26 expresses to them its warmest aloha and best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors. 27 28 Karen Uurna 29 OFFERED BY:

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