HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY TO SEEK AN AGREEMENT WITH MAJOR TELEVISION NETWORKS AND MAINLAND WEATHER CHANNELS TO INCLUDE A REPORT OF HAWAII'S WEATHER IN THEIR WEATHER REPORTS.

WHEREAS, Hawaii is blessed with warm, tropical weather as 1 the State is cooled by the trade winds of the Pacific Ocean; and 2 3 WHEREAS, the average temperature in the State's capital, 4 5 Honolulu, is 76 degrees Fahrenheit, and the average annual precipitation in Honolulu is 28 inches; and 6 7 8 WHEREAS, as major mainland cities such as Minneapolis, Chicago, and New York City continue to endure bad weather, 9 Hawaii's sunny and balmy climate remains constant; and 10 11 WHEREAS, while local morning and evening news television 12 13 stations routinely broadcast weather from across the United States, the major mainland networks rarely report Hawaii's 14 15 weather; and 16 WHEREAS, mainland residents who are currently enduring bad 17 18 weather are likely to be influenced to visit Hawaii if major mainland networks broadcasted Hawaii's alluring weather; and 19 20 WHEREAS, a cost-effective way to increase tourism to Hawaii 21 year-round is to have Hawaii's weather shown on major networks 22 and mainland weather channels; now, therefore, 23 24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 25 26 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Hawaii Tourism 27 28 Authority is urged to seek an agreement with mainland weather

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1 channels and major broadcast networks to include a report of 2 Hawaii's weather in their weather reports to promote Hawaii and 3 influence viewers and listeners to visit Hawaii; and 4

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chair of the Board 7 of Directors and President of the Hawaii Tourism Authority; the 8 Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; and the 9 Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, and 10 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Administrator.

an OFFERED BY:

