HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE CONVENING OF A HAWAIIAN CULTURAL RESOURCES WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP AN ACTION PLAN FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A COMPREHENSIVE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY DATABASE.

WHEREAS, a successful, sustainable tourism industry in 1 Hawaii honors Hawaii's host culture, its people, and its 2 history; protects its unique natural environment; and engages 3 4 local communities; and 5 WHEREAS, Hawaiians and the Hawaiian culture are what 6 continue to make Hawaii unique and different from other 7 destinations around the world; and 8 9 WHEREAS, many organizations, businesses, and other entities 10 have incorporated Hawaiian cultural values, such as the Native 11 Hawaiian Hospitality Association's "Ola Hawai'i, Hawai'i Lives", 12 a train-the-trainer program for Hawaiians to provide cultural 13 education for managers and employees in the tourism industry and 14 consultation in cultural competency in the workplace; and 15 16 WHEREAS, this is only one example of how the knowledge of 17 Hawaiian culture can be beneficial in a workplace setting, even 18 a workplace setting that may not be directly involved with 19 Hawaiian cultural practices and traditions; and 20 21 WHEREAS, while numerous Hawaiian and other organizations 22 and agencies compile and maintain cultural resource information, 23 there is no central collection point for this valuable 24 25 information; and 26 WHEREAS, a centralized cultural resources inventory would 27 provide resources to help visitor industry businesses create a 28 uniquely Hawaiian visitor experience from arrival to departure; 29 and 30 31



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1 WHEREAS, there is a compelling need to compile and maintain 2 comprehensive information regarding Hawaii's extensive Hawaiian 3 cultural resources and programs that incorporate these resources if these resources are to be preserved and the knowledge passed 4 5 on; now, therefore, 6 7 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 8 9 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs is requested to convene a Hawaiian Cultural Resources 10 Working Group to develop an action plan for the establishment 11 and maintenance of a comprehensive Hawaiian cultural resources 12 13 inventory database; and 14 15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group include representatives from the Hawaii Tourism Authority, State 16 Foundation on Culture and the Arts, University of Hawai'i School 17 18 of Travel Industry Management and Hawaiian Studies programs, Hawaii Hotel and Lodging Association, Native Hawaiian 19 Hospitality Association, Activities and Attractions Association 20 of Hawaii, Hawaii Ecotourism Association, business 21 organizations, financial institutions, residents, visitors, and 22 23 other appropriate public agencies and private organizations; and 24 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action plan consider the incorporation of: 26 27 Information relating to Hawaiian cultural resources, 28 (1)including publicly available information and cultural 29 programs and activities from private entities or 30 organizations; 31 32 (2) Programs and activities with particular relevance to 33 the visitor industry; 34 35 (3) Activities promoted by local organizations and 36 community groups to organize Hawaiians and disseminate 37 38 information about Hawaiian culture; and 39 40 (4)Other relevant information, as appropriate, to strengthen the knowledge base of Hawaiian cultural 41 42 resources statewide; and 43



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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action plan include 2 specific recommendations for: 3 (1)Making the information accessible, including through 4 online and other technologically-based access; 5 6 Personnel, financial, and other resources necessary to 7 (2) establish and maintain a comprehensive Hawaiian 8 9 cultural resources inventory database; 10 (3) Strategies to maximize utilization and implementation 11 12 of the Hawaiian cultural resources inventory database in the area of workforce development (e.g., development 13 of a standardized curriculum in Native Hawaiian culture 14 and creation of an award recognizing excellence in 15 integrating Native Hawaiian culture and values in the 16 17 workplace); 18 (4) The entity to house and maintain the inventory 19 database; and 20 21 22 (5) A timeline, from the planning through data collection and completion of the initial inventory; and 23 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs 25 submit the action plan developed by the Hawaiian Cultural 26 Resources Working Group to the Governor and the Legislature no 27 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular 28 Session of 2012; and 29 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 31 32 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Office 33 34 of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawaii Tourism Authority, State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, University of Hawai'i School of Travel 35 Industry Management and Hawaiian Studies programs, Hawaii Hotel 36 and Lodging Association, Native Hawaiian Hospitality 37 38



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