HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING MAY 2011 AS AMERICAN PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION MONTH IN HAWAII.

WHEREAS, the American Psychiatric Association, founded in 1 1844, is the world's largest psychiatric organization, 2 3 representing more than 38,000 psychiatric physicians from the United States and around the world and serving as the voice and 4 5 conscience of modern psychiatry; and 6 7 WHEREAS, American Psychiatric Association member physicians 8 work together to ensure humane care and effective treatment for all persons with mental disorders, including intellectual 9 disability and substance-related disorders; and 10 11 WHEREAS, the mission of the American Psychiatric 12 Association is to: 13 14 Promote the highest quality care for individuals with 15 (1)mental disorders (including mental retardation and 16 substance-related disorders) and their families; 17 18 Promote psychiatric education and research; 19 (2) 20 21 (3) Advance and represent the profession of psychiatry; and 22 23 (4) Serve the professional needs of its membership; 24 25 and 26 27 28 WHEREAS, the following represent core values that are 29 encouraged and supported by the American Psychiatric

Association:

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- (1) Best standards of clinical practice;
- (2) Highest ethical standards of professional conduct;
- (3) Prevention, access, care, and sensitivity for patients and compassion for their families;
- (4) Patient-focused treatment decisions;
- (5) Scientifically established principles of treatment;
- (6) Advocacy for patients; and
- (7) Leadership, lifelong professional learning, collegial support, respect for diverse views and pluralism within the field and the Association;

and

WHEREAS, the American Psychiatric Association has committed itself to providing an array of important services for its members and the community at large, including research activities, continuing education for members, and advocacy on a variety of issues relevant to psychiatry; and

WHEREAS, the American Psychiatric Association will be holding its Annual Meeting in Honolulu from May 14-18, 2011; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, that this body recognizes May of 2011 as American Psychiatric Association Month in Hawaii to acknowledge and commend the Association for its steadfast commitment to improving the delivery of psychiatric services to those in need.

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