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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ESTABLISH A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HAWAII AND THE PROVINCE OF LIMA, PERU.

WHEREAS, Hawaii maintains a heritage of international 1 2 participation and cultural sensitivity unparalleled in other states due to its multicultural population since the reign of 3 the Hawaiian monarchy in the early 19th century; and 4 5 6 WHEREAS, since 1981, the Legislature has instituted sisterstate relationships as a means of asserting its active 7 participation in international matters; and 8 9 10 WHEREAS, as of December 2008, Hawaii maintained 15 sisterstate relationships, mostly between Asia and the Pacific; and 11 12 13 WHEREAS, it is advantageous to continue to pursue sisterstate relationships for cultural and economic development 14 reasons, with attention focused on fostering the most productive 15 ties; and 16 17 WHEREAS, Hawaii is actively seeking to expand its 18 international ties and has an interest in developing goodwill, 19 20 friendship, and economic relations with Lima, Peru; and 21 22 WHEREAS, a relationship between Hawaii and Peru would be mutually beneficial, advancing mutual goals for international 23 peace and brotherhood; now, therefore, 24 25 26 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 27 of 2011, that the Governor is requested to establish a sister-28 state relationship between Hawaii and the province of Lima, 29 Peru; and 30

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
Resolution be transmitted to the United States Secretary of
State, Prime Minister of the province of Lima, Peru, and
Governor of the State of Hawaii.

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