HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII H.R. NO. 294

HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE UNITED STATES SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION'S STATE OF HAWAII 2011 AWARDEES.

WHEREAS, it is recognized that Small Businesses are 1 2 critical to the United State's economic recovery and strength, overall future, and ability to compete in today's global 3 marketplace; and every year since 1963, the president has 4 proclaimed National Small Business Week to recognize the 5 contributions of small business, and for this year, the Small 6 7 Business Association announced the Hawaii winners of the prestigious 2011 Small Business Awards; and 8

10 WHEREAS, the Hawaii House of Representatives joins the 11 business community in recognizing the noteworthy contributions 12 and outstanding business achievements of the United States Small 13 Business Administration's State of Hawaii 2011 awardees; and 14

WHEREAS, JUDY N. BISHOP of Bishop & Company, Inc., is the
United States Small Business Administration's 2011 Women In
Business Champion for being a highly successful role model and
entrepreneur in championing women's business ownership through
her work with local, national, and international corporations on
four continents, and trains and consults with various local
organizations; and

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WHEREAS, BRIAN BOWERS of Bowers & Kubota Consulting, Inc.,
is the United States Small Business Administration's 2011 Small
Business Person of the Year for the State of Hawaii for having
developed Bowers & Kubota Consulting, Inc., into a profitable
company providing diversified services to both public and
private sector clients in Hawaii and the Pacific Rim; and

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1 WHEREAS, HENRY L. CASHEN of Soldier and Family Assistance 2 Center, United States Army, was recognized as the United States 3 Small Business Administration's State of Hawaii 2011 Veteran 4 Small Business Champion, which is a prestigious award that 5 honors individuals who have fulfilled a commitment to advancing 6 small business opportunities for veterans of the United States 7 Armed Forces; and

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9 WHEREAS, EDDIE FLORES of L&L Drive Inn and L&L Hawaii 10 Barbeque has been selected as the recipient of the United States Small Business Administration's State of Hawaii 2011 Minority 11 12 Small Business Champion of the Year Award for generously 13 spending his time and personal resources to help minorities and 14 disadvantaged entrepreneurs through programs, scholarships, and 15 the development of two community centers focused on economic 16 opportunities; and 17

18 WHEREAS, ROBERT M. FUJIMOTO is the recipient of the United 19 States Small Business Administration State of Hawaii 2011 20 Entrepreneurial Success Awardee in recognition of his leadership 21 of HPM Building Supply, Ltd., and as an outstanding community 22 leader, creating an inspiring legacy of excellence and 23 generosity; and

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WHEREAS, PATRICK R. GARCIA has been named the United States Small Business Administration's State of Hawaii 2011 Financial Services Champion, a prestigious award that honors individuals who assist small businesses through advocacy efforts to increase the usefulness and availability of accounting or financial services; and

WHEREAS, DAVID KANE of Trex Hawaii-Advanced Materials Group
 has been awarded the United States Small Business
 Administration's State of Hawaii 2011 Tibbetts Award For
 Innovation and Research, a prestigious distinction that honors
 outstanding small businesses and individuals who participate in
 the Administration's Small Business Innovation Research Program;
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WHEREAS, DEXTER KUBOTA of Bowers & Kubota Consulting, Inc.,
 is the United States Small Business Administration's 2011 Small
 Business Person of the Year for demonstrating outstanding
 skills, savvy, and the ability to be successful in the small
 business community, crate jobs, demonstrate "staying-power",
 foster innovation in products or services, and increase annual
 revenues; and

9 WHEREAS, ROGER LANE of Roger Lane, Inc., is the United 10 States Small Business Administration's 2011 Home Based Business 11 Champion for the State of Hawaii for having worked to improve 12 the climate of home-based businesses, helping businesses and 13 individuals improve their performance by providing the skills, 14 tools, and processes that enable businesses and entrepreneurs to 15 increase productivity, sales volume, and profits; and 16

17 WHEREAS, ALAN OKAMI of KoAloha, Inc., doing business as KoAloha Ukulele, is a recipient of the United States Small 18 19 Business Administration's State of Hawaii 2011 Family-Owned Small Business Award for having had expanded his client base, 20 build international business relationships, and increased and 21 diversified revenues to build a profitable million-dollar firm 22 23 that has averaged a 16 percent growth over the past three years, 24 thriving on core values of high quality, strong relationships, 25 and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, JOSEPH ROSSI of Maui Babe, Inc., is the United
States Small Business Administration's State of Hawaii 2011
Small Business Exporter, a prestigious award that honors
individuals who own and operate a small business engaged in
exporting products or services outside of the United States; and

WHEREAS, DANIEL T. WRIGHT has been recognized as the United
 States Small Business Administration's State of Hawaii 2011
 Young Entrepreneur of the Year, a prestigious award that
 acknowledges the top performance and contributions of the best
 small business owners and entrepreneurs; now, therefore,

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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 hereby congratulates and recognizes the United States Small Business Administration's 2011 State of Hawaii Small Business Awardees and extends to them its warmest aloha and sincere best wishes for continued success in all their future endeavors.

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