## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES AND STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS TO PLACE A PEACE POLE SCULPTURE NEAR THE KATSU GOTO MEMORIAL AND RECOGNIZING THE EFFORTS OF THE COMMUNITY OF HONOKA'A, THE HONOKA'A PEACE COMMITTEE, AND THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMEMORATING PEACE DAY.

WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii established Peace Day on September 21, 2006, thus becoming the first state in the United States of America to do so; and

WHEREAS, the community of Honoka'a has recognized the importance of Peace Day since it was established, and has organized and celebrated it with a Peace Day Parade and Festival every year since 2006; and

WHEREAS, the intent of Peace Day is to promote peace programs, improve international relations, and increase educational awareness of peace; and

WHEREAS, Peace Day provides an opportunity for individuals, organizations, and nations to create practical acts of peace on a shared date; and

WHEREAS, Peace Poles are an internationally-recognized symbol of the mission of Peace Day, with tens of thousands of Peace Poles located in nearly every country of the world; and

WHEREAS, the community of Honoka'a should be recognized and encouraged to continue to observe and celebrate the blessings of peace and endeavor to create peace on Peace Day; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2014, the Senate concurring, that the Department of

 Accounting and General Services and the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts are requested to place a Peace Pole sculpture near the Katsu Goto Memorial and that this body hereby recognizes the efforts of the community of Honoka'a, the Honoka'a Peace Committee, and the importance of commemorating Peace Day; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Comptroller, Executive Director of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, and the members of the Honoka'a Peace Committee.

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