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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA'S EFFORTS TOWARD PEACEFUL  
REUNIFICATION OF THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND URGING THE  
DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA TO ENGAGE IN SINCERE  
REUNIFICATION DIALOGUE WITH THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA.

1 WHEREAS, very little had been known about conditions in the  
2 Democratic People's Republic of Korea ("North Korea") due to the  
3 lack of access afforded foreign media and the tradition of  
4 secrecy; and

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6 WHEREAS, however, in 2014, the United Nations Commission of  
7 Inquiry on Human Rights Violations in North Korea issued a  
8 report detailing the existence of violations of human rights in  
9 North Korea; and

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11 WHEREAS, this body supports United Nations General Assembly  
12 Resolution 69/188, which addresses the human rights situation in  
13 North Korea and was adopted by the United Nations General  
14 Assembly; and

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16 WHEREAS, this body urges North Korea to acknowledge the  
17 international community's concerns regarding its violation of  
18 human rights, improve the human rights of its people, abandon  
19 any nuclear goals, and engage in sincere dialogue with South  
20 Korea concerning reunification; and

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22 WHEREAS, the achievement of reunification, peace, and  
23 security on the Korean Peninsula would provide the country with  
24 widespread access to affordable labor, abundant natural  
25 resources, and economic and military growth; now, therefore,

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27 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
28 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
29 Session of 2015, that this body supports the Republic of Korea's  
30 efforts toward peaceful reunification of the Korean Peninsula  
31 and urges the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to engage in  
32 sincere reunification dialogue with the Republic of Korea; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Leader of the Democratic  
3 People's Republic of Korea; the President of the Republic of  
4 Korea, and the Secretary-General of the United Nations.  
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