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HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE HONOREES AND DISTINGUISHED FINALISTS OF THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS - STATE OF HAWAII'S 2017 YOUTH OF THE YEAR AWARDS

WHEREAS, the Hawaii State House of Representatives is proud to recognize those exceptional individuals who have made significant achievements in their lives and who have had a positive impact on those around them; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs of America is an organization that operates drop-in service facilities that provide a safe, supportive, non-judgmental, nurturing, and supervised environment where youth from 9 to 17 years old can be themselves, interact with positive role models, and learn the values and skills that promote a successful future; and

WHEREAS, the annual Boys & Girls Clubs of America Youth of the Year program offers exceptional teens the opportunity to be recognized for choices and positive behavior that warrant celebration; this premier character and leadership program celebrates club members' service to the Club, community and family, academic performance, ethical values, life goals, poise, and public speaking ability, and fosters personal growth and leadership qualities; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs-State of Hawaii have chosen members from across the state as Youth of the Year honorees, including AMANDA CAIRES, SHELSI CANDAROMA, BRYDEN KA'AUWAI, ALEXIS GOODWIN, XAVIER GARRIDO, ROXANNE AGRAAN, ALEXIS FREEMAN, JASMINE GILMETE, LOGAN-ANN GUECO, TALIA JENKINS, KIMBERLY MATUTINA, MAKANA NAE'OLE, TOBY PLUNKETT, JACOB RENNOE, SHANIA RIVERA, and LEAH YOUNG; and

WHEREAS, the honorees have been narrowed down to five finalists: AMANDA CAIRES, SHELSI CANDAROMA, and BRYDEN KA'AUWAI

for the Boys & Girls Clubs - State of Hawaii's Youth of the Year; and ALEXIS GOODWIN and XAVIER GARRIDO for the Boys & Girls Clubs - State of Hawaii's Military Youth of the Year; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs - State of Hawaii's Youth of the Year finalist will go on to compete in the Pacific Region competition and to the national Youth of the Year competition, and the Boys & Girls Clubs - State of Hawaii's Military Youth of the Year finalist will join fellow finalists in the national Military Youth of the Year competition; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017, that this body hereby commends and congratulates the honorees and distinguished finalists of the Boys & Girls Clubs - State of Hawaii's Youth of the Year Awards, and wishes the finalists the best of luck as they move further through the competition.

OFFERED BY:

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