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HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING BIANCA YANUARIA FOR RECEIVING THE 2018 COUNSELOR OF THE YEAR AWARD.

WHEREAS, the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) supports school counselors' efforts to help students focus on academic, career, and social/emotional development so they can achieve success in school and are prepared to lead fulfilling lives as responsible members of society; and

WHEREAS, BIANCA YANUARIA has been the School Counselor at Keolu Elementary for four years; she is a Maui High School alum, graduate of the University of California, Davis with a Bachelor's Degree in Communication and California State University, Sacramento with a Master's Degree in Counseling; and

WHEREAS, BIANCA YANUARIA represented Hawai'i in Washington, D.C. at the ASCA 2018 Counselor of the Year ceremony; and

WHEREAS, BIANCA YANUARIA'S efforts and programs to maximize the academic, career, personal, and social development of her students made her the standout choice, out of more than 600 public and private school counselors across the state, for the Hawai'i School Counselor Association State Counselor of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, BIANCA YANUARIA has implemented a variety of innovative initiatives at Keolu Elementary including a recess program aimed at teaching conflict resolution and an attendance program that has helped to reduce chronic absenteeism from seventeen percent to six percent; integrated her guidance lessons and counseling into her school garden; and started an Aloha Committee to help build relationships among the school's faculty; and

WHEREAS, BIANCA YANUARIA's achievements are recognized by the Principal of Keolu Elementary, Gay Kong: "We are honored to endorse Bianca as our Hawai'i School Counselor of the Year. While she is still at an early stage in her career, she has fully embraced her role and this can be seen through her accomplishments at our school. Her continued professional learning has led to ingenious practices with our students"; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, that this body hereby commends, congratulates, and honors BIANCA YANUARIA for her outstanding accomplishments and much-deserved recognition, and extends to her its sincere mahalo and best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

OFFERED BY:

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