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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THAT THE WALL STREET JOURNAL INCLUDE HAWAIIAN AIRLINES IN THE NEWSPAPER'S FUTURE RANKINGS OF THE BEST AND WORST AIRLINES IN THE UNITED STATES.

WHEREAS, Hawaiian Airlines began ninety years ago with a 1 fleet of two eight-passenger amphibious planes traveling between 2 Hawaii, Oahu, and Maui; and 3 4 5 WHEREAS, Hawaiian Airlines now has a fleet of sixty-one aircraft and provides service to thirteen cities in the 6 continental United States and various countries in Asia and the 7 South Pacific, including American Samoa, Australia, Japan, New 8 9 Zealand, South Korea, and Tahiti; and 10 WHEREAS, Hawaiian Airlines was named one of the top five 11 12 best airlines in the United States in 2019 by numerous websites, including Conde Nast, Kayak, The Points Guy, Thrillist, Travel + 13 Leisure, and WalletHub; and 14 15 WHEREAS, Hawaiian Airlines was also ranked by Forbes as 16 17 the fifth-highest quality airline in the United States in 2019; and 18 19 20 WHEREAS, the Wall Street Journal recently published its list of "The Best and Worst U.S. Airlines of 2019", which ranked 21 nine airlines based on the following categories: on-time 22 23 arrivals, cancelled flights, extreme delays, two-hour tarmac delays, mishandled baggage, involuntary bumping, and complaints; 24 25 and 26 WHEREAS, Hawaiian Airlines was absent from the Wall Street 27 28 Journal's rankings; and 29



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WHEREAS, the Wall Street Journal stated that, although 1 Hawaiian Airlines would have been ranked as the number one best 2 airline in the United States in 2019 if the airline was included 3 in the ranking, the Wall Street Journal specifically excluded 4 5 Hawaiian Airlines because the airline "has a big chunk of its business in short hops between islands where the weather 6 is . . . paradise and the airline's "limited exposure to the 7 mainland distorts comparisons"; now, therefore, 8 9

10 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 11 2020, the Senate concurring, that the Wall Street Journal is 12 requested to include Hawaiian Airlines in the newspaper's future 13 14 rankings of the best and worst airlines in the United States; 15 and 16

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 17 18 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President and Chief Executive Officer of Airlines for America; President of Chamber 19 of Commerce Hawaii; Executive Director of Hawaii Business 20 21 Roundtable; President and Chief Executive Officer of Hawaii Lodging and Tourism Association; President of the Hawaii Tourism 22 Authority; Chief Executive Officer of Hawaiian Airlines, Inc.; 23 and Editor in Chief of The Wall Street Journal. 24 25

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