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May 6, 2021

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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirty First State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on May 6, 2021, the following bill was signed into law:

SB60 SD1 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES. **ACT 011 (21)**

Sincerely,

DAVIDY JGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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THE SENATE
THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2021
STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 249, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "§249- Special number plates; Polynesian Voyaging
- 5 Society authorized. (a) Notwithstanding any law to the
- 6 contrary, the director of finance shall issue to any registered
- 7 owner of a motor vehicle, who is a resident of the State, upon
- 8 completed application and payment of the required fees, a
- 9 special number plate for the registered owner's motor vehicle
- 10 commemorating the Polynesian Voyaging Society.
- 11 (b) The director of finance of the city and county of
- 12 Honolulu, in consultation with the directors of finance of the
- counties of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii; chiefs of police of the
- 14 city and county of Honolulu and the counties of Kauai, Maui, and
- 15 Hawaii; and board of directors of the Polynesian Voyaging
- 16 Society, shall establish a special number plate design that:

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1	(1)	Contains words, images, or both, that indicate the
2		special number plate is issued to recognize the
3		Polynesian Voyaging Society;
4	(2)	Is similar in shape and size to the uniform state
5		number plate prescribed by law; and
6	(3)	Does not obstruct the visibility of the numbers or
7		letters or any other information that is required by
8		law to be on a number plate and is readily
9		identifiable and distinguishable under actual traffic
10		conditions.
11	(c)	The special number plate design shall not:
12	(1)	Infringe upon or otherwise violate any trademark,
13		trade name, service mark, copyright, or other
14		proprietary or property right;
15	(2)	Represent any obscene or degrading image, idea, word,
16		or phrase;
17	(3)	Advertise or endorse a product, brand, or service that
18		is provided for sale;
19	(4)	Promote any religious belief; or
20	(5)	Promote any philosophy based on prejudice or that is
21		contrary to state civil rights laws.

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1	(d) Each special number plate shall be securely fastened
2	to the motor vehicle in lieu of the uniform state number plate.
3	(e) The director of finance shall charge a special number
4	plate fee at least equal to the county's cost of providing the
5	special number plate and administrative costs, if any, plus a
6	fundraising fee to be determined by the director of finance in
7	consultation with the board of directors of the Polynesian
8	Voyaging Society. The fundraising fee shall be in addition to
9	any other state or county fees collected for a motor vehicle
10	registration or license plate.
11	(f) The director of finance may charge an additional
12	fundraising fee of the same or a different amount as the
13	fundraising fee established pursuant to subsection (e), for the
14	renewal of a special number plate. If an additional fundraising
15	fee is implemented pursuant to this subsection, the director of
16	finance shall revoke the special number plate of any registered
17	owner of a motor vehicle who fails to pay the additional
18	fundraising fee imposed by this subsection.
19	(g) The revenue generated by the fundraising fees, or a
20	portion of the revenue generated by the fundraising fees as
21	determined by the director of finance, shall be deposited in the

- 1 name of the Polynesian Voyaging Society in a separate account.
- 2 The director of finance shall determine the most efficient means
- 3 of directing the revenue generated by the fundraising fees to
- 4 the Polynesian Voyaging Society.
- 5 (h) The director of finance may revoke all special number
- 6 plates issued pursuant to this section if the total number of
- 7 registered owners of motor vehicles that obtain the special
- 8 number plates is less than one hundred fifty within three years
- 9 of issuance of the first special number plate.
- 10 (i) Nothing in this section shall be construed as to apply
- 11 to any plates issued pursuant to sections 249-9.2 or 249-9.5.
- 12 (j) For the purposes of this section, unless a different
- 13 meaning appears from the context, "special number plate" means a
- 14 license plate that represents the Polynesian Voyaging Society."
- 15 SECTION 2. Section 249-9.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 16 amended by amending subsection (i) to read as follows:
- "(i) Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply
- 18 to any plates issued pursuant to [section] sections 249-9.2[-]
- 19 and 249- ."
- 20 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

APPROVED this 06 - day of MAY , 2021

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 27, 2021 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2021.

resident of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 27, 2021 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita Chief Clerk

House of Representatives