
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO REQUEST THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF PRESIDENT WILLIAM MCKINLEY HIGH SCHOOL BACK TO THE SCHOOL'S PREVIOUS NAME OF HONOLULU HIGH SCHOOL AND TO REMOVE THE STATUE OF PRESIDENT MCKINLEY FROM THE SCHOOL PREMISES.

1 WHEREAS, what is currently named President William McKinley
2 High School was previously named Honolulu High School, which was
3 established in the Hawaiian Kingdom in 1865 and is one of the
4 oldest secondary schools in the Hawaiian islands; and

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6 WHEREAS, the name of Honolulu High School was changed to
7 President William McKinley High School in 1907 as a key
8 component of the political indoctrination strategy to
9 deliberately convince the people living in the Hawaiian Islands
10 that they are American; and

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12 WHEREAS, when the statue of William McKinley was erected in
13 1911, several years after the renaming of the school, it was not
14 to honor the President of the United States, but rather as a
15 symbol to perpetuate the subjugation of Native Hawaiians and
16 reinforce the lie that the Hawaiian islands belong to the United
17 States of America; and

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19 WHEREAS, the name of the school and the statue of William
20 McKinley holding the fabricated "Annexation Treaty" perpetuates
21 the allegation that people in the Hawaiian islands wanted to
22 become Americans, even though eighty percent of the adult
23 population signed the Kū'e Petitions against annexation in 1897;
24 and

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26 WHEREAS, on July 6, 1898, President McKinley committed
27 fraud to continue the occupation of the Hawaiian islands by the
28 United States by signing a Joint Resolution of Congress,



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1 entitled the "Newlands Resolution" that purported the annexation
2 of Hawai'i; and

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4 WHEREAS, the Newlands Resolution illegitimately claimed
5 United States annexation of the Hawaiian islands, even though
6 such a document does not have any power or legitimacy to annex
7 an internationally recognized nation with official treaties in
8 eighteen foreign states dating as far back as 1846; and

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10 WHEREAS, the result of the illegal annexation turned Hawai'i
11 into an overseas colony completely dependent on the United
12 States of America and displaced Native Hawaiians, robbing them
13 of their birth right, cultural identity, nationality, language,
14 and homes, while negatively impacting their physical, mental,
15 emotional, and spiritual well-being; and

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17 WHEREAS, following the enactment of the Newlands
18 Resolution, Hawaii's public education system was pressed into
19 service to indoctrinate, denationalize, "Americanize," and
20 convert generations of Hawaii's children into patriotic United
21 States citizens; and

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23 WHEREAS, U.S. Public Law 103-150, informally known as the
24 "Apology Resolution", a Joint Resolution of the United States
25 Congress signed by President Bill Clinton in 1993, acknowledges
26 that "the Native Hawaiian people never directly relinquished to
27 the United States their claims to their inherent sovereignty
28 over their national lands, either through a plebiscite or
29 referendum"; now, therefore,

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31 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
32 Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
33 of 2021, the Senate concurring, that the Superintendent of
34 Education is emphatically urged to request the Board of
35 Education to replace the name of President William McKinley High
36 School with the previous name of Honolulu High School and remove
37 the statue of President William McKinley from the school
38 premises; and

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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
41 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the members of the
42 Hawaii's Congressional delegation, Governor, Chairperson of the



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1 Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Chairperson
2 of the Board of Education, Superintendent of Education,
3 Kaimuki-McKinley-Roosevelt Complex Area Superintendent,
4 President of the McKinley High School Foundation, and each of
5 the county mayors.

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