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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MISSILE DEFENSE  
AGENCY TO RESIST SITING THE PROPOSED HOMELAND DEFENSE  
RADAR-HAWAII WITHIN THE STATE.

1           WHEREAS, the United States Department of Defense Missile  
2 Defense Agency (DOD-MDA) has proposed a radar facility, Homeland  
3 Defense Radar-Hawaii (HDR-H), to be sited either in the City and  
4 County of Honolulu or the County of Kauai, at a cost of  
5 \$1,900,000,000, for the purpose of detecting high altitude  
6 intercontinental ballistic missiles launched from North Korea  
7 toward Hawaii and the continental United States; and  
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9           WHEREAS, the Missile Defense Advocacy Agency, a non-  
10 governmental organization comprised of top business and legal  
11 and military executives, voiced a concern that HDR-H would  
12 transform Hawaii's ballistic missile interception complex (with  
13 the SM-3 Block IIA and THAAD interceptor batteries) into a prime  
14 target for America's enemies as in the preemptive attack on  
15 Pearl Harbor in 1941; and  
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17           WHEREAS, newer generation ballistic, hypersonic, and low-  
18 flying cruise missiles, capable of Mach 4 speed, greater  
19 maneuverability, and greater accuracy are being developed in  
20 China, Russia, and the United States, which are capable of  
21 evading ground-based radar detection by overflying air defense  
22 sensors and flying below ballistic missile sensors, rendering  
23 the HDR-H obsolete, such that the DOD-MDA defunded the HDR-H in  
24 the 2020 Defense Authorization Act; and  
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26           WHEREAS, the HDR-H was kept alive by partial refunding in  
27 the appropriations bill passed in December 2020 for \$133,000,000  
28 over the objection of the DOD-MDA, triggering negative public  
29 reaction; and  
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31           WHEREAS, the DOD-MDA has instead funded a next generation  
32 space-based global sensor system and upgraded the sea-based x-  
33 band radar "golf ball" for \$47,000,000 in place of the new  
34 obsolete HDR-H; and  
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1           WHEREAS, there are serious environmental, social, and  
2 cultural concerns associated with HDR-H, including  
3 electromagnetic emissions, toxic waste disposal, a diesel power  
4 plant requiring one hundred fifty thousand gallons of fuel  
5 storage; clearing of up to one hundred sixty acres impacting  
6 cultural sites and the environment; and the plan for a  
7 contamination shelter in case of chemical fallout, all of which  
8 compound the frustration of Hawaii residents over the military's  
9 unsatisfactory stewardship of Pohakuloa, Oahu's endangered  
10 aquifer below the Red Hill fuel tanks and Pearl Harbor superfund  
11 sites as examples of military-caused environmental degradation;  
12 and  
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14           WHEREAS, the County Councils of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii  
15 have all passed resolutions calling for diplomacy with North  
16 Korea rather than provocative militarization such as expressed  
17 by the deployment of the HDR-H; and  
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19           WHEREAS, spending \$1,900,000,000 on an outmoded HDR-H is a  
20 prime example of wasteful Pentagon spending that is the subject  
21 of House Resolution 1003 (2020), introduced by Representative  
22 Barbara Lee (D-CA-13), with twenty-four co-sponsors calling for  
23 an audit, "expressing the sense of the House of Representatives  
24 regarding wasteful Pentagon spending and supporting cuts to the  
25 bloated defense budget," which at \$704,000,000,000 per year is  
26 well over half the federal discretionary budget and exceeds the  
27 sum of the next ten largest international military budgets; now,  
28 therefore,  
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30           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
31 Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
32 of 2021, that the United States Department of Defense Missile  
33 Defense Agency is urged to resist siting the proposed Homeland  
34 Defense Radar-Hawaii within the State of Hawaii in order to save  
35 tax dollars from an unnecessary and unwanted wasteful spending  
36 project during a time of unprecedented need for public services  
37 in health, education, and welfare for Hawaii's people and to  
38 avoid heightening Hawaii's perception as a strategic strike  
39 target; and  
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41           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
42 Resolution be transmitted to the United States Secretary of



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1 Defense, Director of the Missile Defense Agency, members of  
2 Hawaii's congressional delegation, Governor, Lieutenant  
3 Governor, and Mayors and Councilmembers of the City and County  
4 Councils.

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