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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING UNITED STATES PRESIDENT JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR., AND THE
ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION TO HOLD THE 2023
ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION SUMMIT IN HONOLULU,
HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) was
2 formed in 1989 and is the premier forum for facilitating free
3 trade, economic growth, and investment cooperation in the
4 Asia-Pacific region; and

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6 WHEREAS, the APEC region represents over forty percent of
7 the world's population and over fifty percent of the world's
8 trade; and

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10 WHEREAS, APEC is a group of twenty-one member economies of
11 the Asia Pacific region, including the large economies of China,
12 the United States, Russia, Canada, and the smaller economies of
13 Peru, Mexico, Chile, Singapore, Malaysia, Brunei, and Indonesia,
14 and operates on the basis of non-binding commitments, open
15 dialogue, and equal respect of all participants; and

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17 WHEREAS, the impact of APEC's annual conference on the host
18 city creates immediate growth in business activity and may
19 establish a positive reputation for the host city as a place to
20 facilitate other global diplomatic conferences; and

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22 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii is actively seeking to expand
23 its international ties and has an abiding interest in the
24 developing friendship, goodwill, and economic and educational
25 relations between the people of Hawaii and the people of
26 regional economies; and



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1 WHEREAS, in these tough economic difficulties, such an
2 event, which brings twenty-one heads of state, sixty-three
3 ministers of industry and foreign affairs, and more than sixteen
4 thousand foreign diplomats, support staff, and media members
5 from around the world, would be a boost to Hawaii's economy; and
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7 WHEREAS, hosting the APEC summit in Honolulu, Hawaii, would
8 logistically be an ideal location; and
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10 WHEREAS, hosting the annual conference would serve as a
11 signal of the United States' strong commitment to strengthening
12 productive relations between regional economies; now, therefore,
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14 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
15 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, the
16 House of Representatives concurring, that United States
17 President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., and the Asia-Pacific Economic
18 Cooperation are urged to hold the 2023 Asia-Pacific Economic
19 Cooperation Summit in Honolulu, Hawaii; and
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
22 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Office of the
23 President of the United States; Governor; Director of Business,
24 Economic Development, and Tourism; Mayor of the City and County
25 of Honolulu; and Director of the Asia-Pacific Economic
26 Cooperation.
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