
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE JUDICIARY TO CONSIDER GRANDPARENT VISITATION RIGHTS
WHEN AWARDING VISITATION DURING CUSTODY DISPUTES.

1 WHEREAS, ties created with grandparents are crucial to
2 ensuring a sense of safety and security among children,
3 particularly those who may have experienced traumatic life
4 changes; and

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6 WHEREAS, there is value in raising children in
7 multigenerational settings, and older generations often provide
8 a solid foundation of cultural heritage and family history for
9 children; and

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11 WHEREAS, grandparents are vital, permanent, and much needed
12 caretakers for children; and

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14 WHEREAS, during custody disputes, grandparents may find
15 themselves estranged from their grandchildren through no fault
16 of their own; and

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18 WHEREAS, denial of reasonable grandparent visitation rights
19 may cause significant harm to a child; now, therefore,

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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
22 Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
23 of 2022, the Senate concurring, that the Judiciary is urged to
24 consider grandparent visitation rights when awarding visitation
25 during custody disputes; and

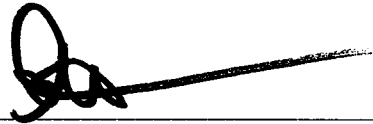
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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Judiciary is also urged,
28 when considering awarding grandparent rights, to take into
29 account whether grandparent visitation is in the best interest
30 of the child and if denial of reasonable grandparent visitation
31 rights would cause significant harm to the child; and



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2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
3 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Justice of the
4 Hawaii Supreme Court.
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OFFERED BY: _____

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