
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

CONDEMNING RUSSIA'S ATTACK ON UKRAINE AND SUPPORTING SWIFT AND
SEVERE ECONOMIC SANCTIONS IMPOSED ON RUSSIA.

1 WHEREAS, Ukraine declared independence from the Soviet
2 Union on August 24, 1991; and

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4 WHEREAS, in February and March of 2014, Russia invaded and
5 subsequently annexed the Crimean Peninsula from Ukraine; and

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7 WHEREAS, more than 14,000 people have been killed, tens of
8 thousands wounded, and more than a million displaced due to
9 Russian conflict since 2014; and

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11 WHEREAS, over the past three decades, the Russian
12 Federation has illegally seized Ukrainian land in Crimea, armed
13 Russian-backed separatists leading to thousands of deaths,
14 interfered in elections, used chemical weapons to attempt
15 assassinations, carried out cyberattacks and disinformation
16 campaigns abroad, and violated international arms control
17 agreements; and

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19 WHEREAS, from March to November 2021, the Russian
20 Federation deployed a massive troop and weapons buildup on the
21 border with Ukraine; and

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23 WHEREAS, on February 21, 2022, President Vladimir Putin
24 officially recognized the Luhansk and Donetsk People's
25 Republics, violating the Minsk Agreements, and ordered Russia's
26 military to deploy troops there on a mission; and

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28 WHEREAS, on February 24, 2022, without provocation,
29 justification, or necessity, the Russian military launched a
30 full-scale invasion of Ukraine, including sending troops into
31 the country and bombing seven major cities; and



1 WHEREAS, Hawaii is home to a strong and vibrant Ukrainian
2 community; now, therefore,
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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
5 Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
6 of 2022, the Senate concurring, that this body condemns the
7 Russian Government under the leadership of Vladimir Putin for
8 their violent attacks on the people of Ukraine and strongly
9 supports the swift and severe economic sanctions that President
10 Biden's administration has imposed on Russia; and
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body calls for an
13 immediate cease-fire and the full withdrawal of Russian forces
14 from Ukrainian territory; and
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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body supports the right of
17 the Russian people to protest, including the current protests
18 against Putin's unprovoked war against Ukraine, and demands the
19 immediate release of all those who have been unjustly detained
20 in Russia for expressing their desire for peace; and
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all state agencies are urged to
23 cease any business or government contracts with the Russian
24 Government or Belarusian Government, or contractors of either
25 government; and
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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all state officials and
28 employees are urged to suspend all work related travel to Russia
29 or Belarus; and
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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State of Hawaii and cities
32 in Hawaii are encouraged to continue to work for peace and
33 international goodwill and understanding through their existing
34 sister state and sister city relationships with any Russian,
35 Belarusian, and Ukrainian provinces or cities; and
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37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
38 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the
39 United States House of Representatives, Majority Leader of the
40 United States House of Representatives, Minority Leader of the
41 United States House of Representatives, President of the United
42 States Senate, Majority Leader of the United States Senate,
43 Minority Leader of the United States Senate, all members of
44 Hawaii's Congressional delegation, Governor of Hawaii, Mayor of



- 1 Honolulu, Mayor of Maui, Mayor of Kauai, Mayor of Hawaii,
- 2 members of the Honolulu City Council, Hawaii County Council,
- 3 Kauai County Council, and Maui County Council.

