
HOUSE 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
14 deaths, interfered in elections, used chemical weapons to
15 attempt assassinations, carried out cyberattacks and
16 disinformation campaigns abroad, and violated international arms
17 control 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, that this body condemns the Russian Government under
7 the leadership of Vladimir Putin for their violent attacks on
8 the people of Ukraine and strongly supports the swift and severe
9 economic sanctions that President Biden's administration has
10 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 Belarussian 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 this body calls for the State
32 of Hawaii and cities in Hawaii to cut any sister-city or sister-
33 state relations with any Russian or Belarussian cities or
34 provinces; and

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36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
37 Resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the United States
38 House of Representatives, Majority Leader of the United States
39 House of Representatives, Minority Leader of the United States
40 House of Representatives, President of the United States Senate,
41 Majority Leader of the United States Senate, Minority Leader of



1 United States Senate, all members of Hawaii's Congressional
2 delegation, Governor of Hawaii, Mayor of Honolulu, Mayor of
3 Maui, Mayor of Kauai, Mayor of Hawaii, and members of the
4 Honolulu City Council, Hawaii County Council, Kauai County
5 Council, and Maui County Council.

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