
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

DESIGNATING FEBRUARY 24, 2023, AS "REMEMBER UKRAINE DAY IN
HAWAII".

1 WHEREAS, on February 24, 2022, the military forces of
2 Russia under the command of President Vladimir Putin attacked
3 its peaceful neighboring country of Ukraine with an unprovoked
4 invasion, with the aim of undermining the freedom of the
5 Ukrainian people and subverting global movements for democracy;
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8 WHEREAS, people all over the world were deeply moved by the
9 tragic loss of human life, intentional targeting of Ukrainian
10 noncombatants and massive destruction inflicted upon Ukraine as
11 a result of Russia's aggression; and

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13 WHEREAS, the invasion of Ukraine is a dangerous development
14 that has far-reaching implications, especially in how aggressive
15 regimes that are at odds with freedom or democracy treat weaker
16 neighbors; and

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18 WHEREAS, the United States of America's and the rest of the
19 free world's diplomatic, ideological, and most importantly,
20 moral response to the invasion of Ukraine sets a precedent, and
21 countries like the People's Republic of China are closely
22 observing that response as they express their territorial
23 ambitions for the Republic of Taiwan; and

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25 WHEREAS, this body is concerned about the possibility of
26 new conflicts, escalations, and crises in the Indo-Pacific
27 region that may result if weakness is perceived in the Western
28 world's response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, and
29 therefore believes freedom-loving people everywhere must condemn
30 aggression and land grabs; and
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1 WHEREAS, the people of the State of Hawaii stand in
2 solidarity with the people of Ukraine, as the military conflict
3 there affects us all and represents a symbolic conflict between
4 democracy and tyranny, in which we must all stand for the rights
5 of our fellow human beings; and

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7 WHEREAS, during the 2022 General Assembly of the Hawaii
8 Government Employees Association, Resolution 1, "Urging the
9 Hawaii State Legislature to Show Solidarity with the People of
10 Ukraine Against Russian Aggression by Declaring February 24,
11 2023 as 'Remember Ukraine Day in Hawaii'" was introduced and
12 passed with unanimous consent; now, therefore,

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14 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
15 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
16 Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, that February 24, 2023,
17 be designated as "Remember Ukraine Day in Hawaii"; and

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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
20 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the
21 United States of America; President of Ukraine; U.S.
22 Representative to the United Nations; U.S. Secretary of State;
23 Governor of Hawaii; and Hawaii Government Employees Association.

