
HOUSE 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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32 WHEREAS, the people of the State of Hawaii stand in
33 solidarity with the people of Ukraine, as the military conflict



1 there affects us all and represents a symbolic conflict between
2 democracy and tyranny, in which we must all stand for the rights
3 of our fellow human beings; and
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5 WHEREAS, during the 2022 General Assembly of the Hawaii
6 Government Employees Association, Resolution 1, "Urging the
7 Hawaii State Legislature to Show Solidarity with the People of
8 Ukraine Against Russian Aggression by Declaring February 24,
9 2023 as 'Remember Ukraine Day in Hawaii'" was introduced and
10 passed with unanimous consent; now, therefore,
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12 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
13 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
14 Session of 2023, that February 24, 2023, be designated as
15 "Remember Ukraine Day in Hawaii"; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
18 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States
19 of America; President of Ukraine; U.S. Representative to the
20 United Nations; U.S. Secretary of State; Governor of Hawaii; and
21 Hawaii Government Employees Association.

