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# SENATE RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE STATE'S COLLABORATION WITH SISTER-STATES ON  
GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP.

1           WHEREAS, subnational governments such as Hawaii are leading  
2 the way on environmental issues such as pollution, conservation,  
3 and climate change, and adopting policies that are far more  
4 aggressive than those at the federal or national levels, which  
5 are often tempered or prevented by international politics; and  
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7           WHEREAS, the State is committed to the Under2 Coalition  
8 Memorandum of Understanding, the United States Climate Alliance,  
9 and the Paris Agreement; and  
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11           WHEREAS, the Legislature passed Act 97, Session Laws of  
12 2015, which set a goal for the State to achieve one hundred  
13 percent renewable energy by 2045; and  
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15           WHEREAS, the Legislature passed Act 15, Session Laws of  
16 Hawaii 2018, which established a zero emissions clean economy  
17 target, sequestering more carbon emissions than produced  
18 annually by 2045; and  
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20           WHEREAS, the Legislature passed Senate Concurrent  
21 Resolution No. 69, Regular Session of 2014, which endorses and  
22 supports the Aloha+ Challenge; and  
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24           WHEREAS, countless other subnational governments are  
25 working toward adopting similar goals and building clean  
26 economies that will catalyze innovation, create new jobs, and  
27 provide new opportunities for clean investment; and  
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29           WHEREAS, global cooperation on environmental and climate  
30 issues has strengthened, with nations and subnational  
31 governments convening regularly to forge agreements, trade best  
32 practices, and develop clean economic policies at opportunities  
33 such as the United Nations Conference of the Parties; and  
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1           WHEREAS, Hawaii has been committed to achieving sustainable  
2 development goals and is a member of the Local2030 Islands  
3 Network; and  
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5           WHEREAS, Hawaii stands to benefit from global meetings by  
6 learning about innovative solutions for climate change, building  
7 a clean economy, and expanding environmental protections and  
8 opportunities for the investment and creation of new jobs; now,  
9 therefore,  
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11           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second  
12 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023,  
13 that this body encourages the State's collaboration with Sister-  
14 States on global environmental leadership; and  
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16           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as a national leader on  
17 environmental protection and climate change in the United  
18 States, the State should engage in work with other subnational  
19 and national governments on environmental and climate change  
20 issues at global convenings such as the United Nations  
21 Conference of the Parties and other similar opportunities for  
22 collaboration; and  
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24           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
25 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and Director of  
26 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.

