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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CONVENE THE APPROPRIATE  
STAKEHOLDERS AND PARTNERS FOR THE FORTIFICATION OF THE  
LOCAL POWER GRID AND OTHER CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN  
HAWAII.

1           WHEREAS, in the recent past, high-altitude balloons flying  
2 over the United States of America have made many news headlines;  
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5           WHEREAS, some of these balloons are said to be from foreign  
6 governments; and

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8           WHEREAS, these balloons appear capable of delivering a  
9 weaponized electromagnetic pulse payload capable of disabling  
10 the local power grid; and

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12           WHEREAS, at this point in time it appears Alaska is the  
13 only state to have made preparations by backing up its bulk  
14 power supply; and

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16           WHEREAS, other critical infrastructure elements such as  
17 cybersecurity in Hawaii is also vulnerable to attack; and

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19           WHEREAS, a 2019 Executive Order tasked the Department of  
20 Homeland Security with developing best practices for defending  
21 critical infrastructure from an electromagnetic pulse attack;  
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24           WHEREAS, Hawaii's geographical location leaves it  
25 vulnerable in the event of such an attack, with no close supply  
26 of backup power generators; now, therefore,

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28           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
29 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
30 Session of 2023, that this body urges the United States

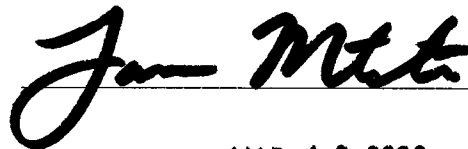


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1 Congress, in conjunction with the appropriate stakeholders and  
2 nongovernmental organizations, to create a functional plan to  
3 both fortify Hawaii's critical infrastructure as well as create  
4 a response plan in the event of such an attack; and  
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
7 Resolution be transmitted to the United States Congress, the  
8 Secretary of Defense, the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency,  
9 the Office of the Governor of Hawaii, and the members of the  
10 Hawaii State Legislature.  
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