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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE 2022 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS.

1           WHEREAS, as a National Blue Ribbon awardee in 2005 and  
2 2012, HŌKŪLANI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL solidified its merit as a top  
3 performing school, receiving the honor for the third time as a  
4 2022 awardee by meeting the performance award criteria for  
5 Exemplary High Performing schools, ranking in the top 15 percent  
6 of Hawai'i schools in achievement, and outpacing other  
7 performance averages statewide by 12 percentage points in  
8 English Language Arts and 30 percentage points in Math; and  
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10           WHEREAS, HŌKŪLANI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL is committed to raising  
11 effective problem solvers who are curious and engaged in  
12 learning and prioritizes a balanced approach to education  
13 through personalized support instruction, timely intervention  
14 both individually and in small groups, and specialized learning  
15 experiences, such as social-emotional learning, coding, and an  
16 art integration school of Spanish and Hawaiiana; and  
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18           WHEREAS, HŌKŪLANI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL focuses on  
19 strategically addressing the developing needs of its students by  
20 leveraging grant initiatives with programs like ArtBento and  
21 Artists in Schools, in order to embed creative and expressive  
22 opportunities for students to engage in core curricular  
23 standards; and  
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25           WHEREAS, as a National Blue Ribbon School awardee in 1986,  
26 2003, and 2006, NU'UANU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL solidified its merit as  
27 a consistently top performing school, proudly earning the honor  
28 for a fourth time as a 2022 awardee by exceeding statewide  
29 averages in English Language Arts by 12 percentage points and in



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1 Math by 14 percentage points, ranking in the top 15 percent in  
2 achievement; and

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4 WHEREAS, all educators at NU‘UANU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL are  
5 fully licensed, having an average of 16 years of teaching  
6 experience, and have demonstrated their commitment to the school  
7 by being on staff for an average of 16.5 years; and

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9 WHEREAS, NU‘UANU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL attributes its academic  
10 success to a diverse range of enrichment programs, including  
11 specialized learning experiences in performing arts, technology,  
12 and social-emotional learning, and a variety of extra-curricular  
13 activities established through partnerships with community  
14 organizations, such as its parent organization, ‘Aikane o  
15 Nu‘uanu, which is credited with fostering a strong school  
16 community culture through coordination of school-wide events,  
17 including campus beautification, pumpkin carving night, movie  
18 night, and family fun night; now, therefore,

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20 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
21 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawai‘i, Regular  
22 Session of 2023, that this body hereby commends and  
23 congratulates HÖKŪLANI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL and NU‘UANU ELEMENTARY  
24 SCHOOL for being recognized as 2022 National Blue Ribbon Schools  
25 and extends to the school communities its warmest aloha and best  
26 wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

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