H.C.R. NO. 180

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO DECLARE A CYBER HARASSMENT AND CYBERBULLYING AWARENESS DAY.

1	WHEREAS, a significant rise in cyber harassment and
2	cyberbullying has occurred in the last ten years as a result of
3	national and international internet usage increasing
4	exponentially; and
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6	WHEREAS, the Pew Research Center found that forty-one
7	percent of Americans have experienced some form of cyber
8	harassment, including physical threats, stalking, sustained
9	harassment, sexual harassment, offensive name-calling, and
10	purposeful embarrassment; and
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12	WHEREAS, online harassment related to political views has
13	increased over time, with twenty percent of Americans reporting
14	experiencing online harassment because of their political views
15	in 2020, compared to fourteen percent in 2017; and
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17	WHEREAS, women and minority groups are more likely to be
18	targets of cyber harassment as a result of their racial and
19	gender identity; and
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21	WHEREAS, seventy-nine percent of Americans believe that
22	social media companies are doing either a poor or fair job of
23	addressing cyber harassment complaints; and
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25	WHEREAS, the State has not adequately addressed the growing
26	issue of cyber harassment and cyberbullying; 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 2024, the Senate concurring, that the Governor is



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1 requested to declare a Cyber Harassment and Cyberbullying 2 Awareness Day; and 3 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 5 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and 6 Lieutenant Governor. 7 8 9 9 0FFERED BY: 0FFERED BY:

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