HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024 STATE OF HAWAII

H.R. NO. **9** 

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO RETURN THE UNITED STATES MONETARY SYSTEM TO THE GOLD STANDARD.

1 WHEREAS, the gold standard is a monetary system in which the value of a currency is supported by a gold reserve; and 2 3 WHEREAS, the United States monetary system was based on 4 variations of the gold standard until 1971, when President 5 Richard Nixon directed the United States Treasury to suspend its 6 7 use; and 8 9 WHEREAS, President Nixon's abandonment of the gold standard was a contributing factor in the 1973-1975 recession and the 10 instability of floating currencies; and 11 12 WHEREAS, severing the link between the dollar and the 13 country's gold reserves has allowed increased government 14 spending and contributed to the growing national debt; and 15 16 17 WHEREAS, returning the United States monetary system to the gold standard would help limit government spending, reduce the 18 risk of economic crises, and help the country avoid future 19 20 recessions; now, therefore, 21 22 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular 23 Session of 2024, that the President of the United States and 24 25 United States Congress are urged to return the United States monetary system to the gold standard; and 26 27

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, Secretary of the Treasury, and members of Hawaii's congressional delegation.

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