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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, AND HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PARTNER WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS TO CREATE DISPOSAL PROGRAMS FOR ILLEGAL FIREWORKS.

1           WHEREAS, illegal fireworks use in Hawaii is an ongoing  
2 problem throughout the State despite the various local, state,  
3 and federal laws governing the manufacture, transportation,  
4 distribution, sale, and use of fireworks; and  
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6           WHEREAS, the use of illegal fireworks in neighborhoods has  
7 substantially increased in recent years, resulting in tragic  
8 consequences; and  
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10           WHEREAS, the New Year's Eve explosion at a Salt Lake home,  
11 caused by illegal fireworks, killed six people and seriously  
12 injured twenty others; and  
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14           WHEREAS, following this deadly explosion, the Department of  
15 Law Enforcement held a fireworks disposal event, which brought  
16 in over one thousand three hundred pounds of fireworks from one  
17 hundred twenty-one residents; and  
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19           WHEREAS, the event allowed people to properly dispose of  
20 their fireworks, as it is dangerous to store fireworks at home,  
21 and fireworks should not be thrown away in household trash; and  
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23           WHEREAS, fireworks disposal programs with designated drop  
24 off locations would allow Hawaii residents to safely discard  
25 unused fireworks throughout the year and reduce the amount of  
26 illegal fireworks in our communities; now, therefore,  
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28           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
29 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
30 of 2025, that the Department of Law Enforcement, City and County



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1 of Honolulu, and Honolulu Police Department are urged to partner  
 2 with local businesses and organizations to create disposal  
 3 programs for illegal fireworks; and  
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Bureau of  
 6 Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Law  
 7 Enforcement, Department of Attorney General, Honolulu Police  
 8 Department, and Honolulu Fire Department are urged to work  
 9 together to host a fireworks disposal event on a regular basis;  
 10 and  
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 13 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the United States  
 14 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; Director of  
 15 Law Enforcement; Attorney General; Mayor of the City and County  
 16 of Honolulu; Chairperson of the Honolulu City Council; Chief of  
 17 Police of the Honolulu Police Department; and Fire Chief of the  
 18 Honolulu Fire Department.  
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