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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO RENAME  
KALOPA STATE PARK ON THE ISLAND OF HAWAII THE MARK  
NAKASHIMA KALOPA STATE PARK.

1           WHEREAS, state Representative Mark Nakashima was born in  
2 Hilo, Hawaii, but spent most of his life in close vicinity to  
3 Kalopa State Park following the relocation of his family to  
4 Kalopa during his sophomore year of high school; and  
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6           WHEREAS, Representative Nakashima frequently visited Kalopa  
7 State Park with his grandfather and sister, enjoying many summer  
8 days with a bento box lunch and his family's company in the  
9 Park's forests; and  
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11           WHEREAS, Representative Nakashima began his career as a  
12 public school teacher at Honokaa High and Intermediate School  
13 and regularly volunteered to serve his community through his  
14 membership with the Hamakua Lions Club International and Hawaii  
15 Junior Chamber of Commerce; and  
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17           WHEREAS, first elected to the House of Representatives to  
18 represent District 1, Hamakua, Hilo, in 2008, Representative  
19 Nakashima continued to serve his community in this role until  
20 his death in 2024; and  
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22           WHEREAS, during his seventeen year tenure, Representative  
23 Nakashima served as Chair of the House Committee on Consumer  
24 Protection and Commerce and was known for his intelligence and  
25 kindness; and  
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27           WHEREAS, Representative Nakashima deserves to be honored  
28 for his leadership and commitment to the State; now, therefore,  
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30           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third  
31 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025, the  
32 House of Representatives concurring, that the Board of Land and



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1 Natural Resources is encouraged to rename the Kalopa State Park  
2 on the island of Hawaii the Mark Nakashima Kalopa State Park;  
3 and

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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
7 Board of Land and Natural Resources and Administrator of the  
8 Division of State Parks of the Department of Land and Natural  
9 Resources.

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OFFERED BY:

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