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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND CONGRESS TO  
SUPPLY UKRAINE WITH THE WEAPONS NEEDED TO FULLY DEFEND  
ITSELF AGAINST RUSSIAN ATTACKS AND RETAKE ITS TERRITORY AS  
RECOGNIZED BY INTERNATIONAL LAW.

1           WHEREAS, Ukraine declared independence from the Soviet  
2 Union on August 24, 1991; and

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4           WHEREAS, in 1994, Ukraine signed the Budapest Memorandum  
5 and relinquished its nuclear weapons in exchange for security  
6 guarantees from Russia, the United States, and United Kingdom;  
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9           WHEREAS, the United States and Ukraine have established  
10 diplomatic relations since Ukraine's independence from the  
11 Soviet Union; and

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13           WHEREAS, in 2014, Russia violated the Budapest Memorandum  
14 and seized the Crimea peninsula from Ukraine, and began  
15 incursions into Ukrainian territory in the Donbas region; and

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17           WHEREAS, on February 24, 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine in an  
18 attempt to extinguish Ukrainian independence, predicting that it  
19 would take mere weeks to conquer Ukraine; and

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21           WHEREAS, according to the United Nations, as of November  
22 2025, there have been 53,006 civilian casualties, including  
23 14,534 deaths, since the full-scale invasion of Ukraine by  
24 Russia in 2022; and

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26           WHEREAS, according to the Center for Strategic  
27 International Studies, since 2022, Russian forces have suffered  
28 nearly 1,200,000 casualties; and

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1           WHEREAS, one third of Ukraine's population has been  
2 displaced, with as many as 1,600,000 Ukrainians forcibly  
3 transferred to Russian territories by Russian forces; and  
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5           WHEREAS, since 2022, Russia has captured twelve percent of  
6 Ukrainian land; and  
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8           WHEREAS, according to the Center for Strategic  
9 International Studies, if current casualty rates continue, the  
10 combined Russian and Ukrainian casualties could reach two  
11 million by the spring of 2026; and  
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13           WHEREAS, Russia's losses in Ukraine are five times higher  
14 than its total losses from all Russian and Soviet wars since  
15 World II combined, including the war in Afghanistan and two  
16 Chechen wars; and  
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18           WHEREAS, Russia is deploying drones and bombs to destroy  
19 major power grids in Ukraine, leaving civilians with limited and  
20 sometimes no access to electricity, heating, or running water;  
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23           WHEREAS, Ukrainians are struggling to stay warm during the  
24 harsh winter; and  
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26           WHEREAS, without the withdrawal or expulsion of Russian  
27 troops in Ukraine, the war, which has lasted four deadly years,  
28 will continue with no end in sight; and  
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30           WHEREAS, the current aid provided by the United States to  
31 Ukraine has allowed the country to defend itself and launch a  
32 counteroffensive to retake territory from Russia while providing  
33 necessary humanitarian relief for Ukraine's population; now,  
34 therefore,  
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36           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third  
37 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2026, the  
38 House of Representatives concurring, that the President of the  
39 United States and Congress are requested to supply Ukraine with  
40 the weapons needed to fully defend itself against Russian  
41 attacks and retake its territories as recognized by  
42 international law; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that President Trump is urged to negotiate the withdrawal of all Russian forces from Ukraine; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body affirms support and solidarity with the free and independent people of Ukraine; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, members of the Hawaii congressional delegation, and Governor.

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