
HOUSE RESOLUTION

DESIGNATING FEBRUARY 12TH OF EVERY YEAR AS "CHARLES DARWIN DAY"
IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, Charles Darwin, a naturalist, geologist, and
2 arguably the most influential person in science, developed the
3 then revolutionary theory of evolution by natural selection,
4 which has become the basic foundation for modern biology and
5 ultimately for understanding the diversity of life on Earth; and
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7 WHEREAS, Darwin's theories were the beginning of a
8 momentous change in the understanding of evolution that have led
9 to significant strides in the field of science all over the
10 world as well as here in Hawaii, where university programs and
11 academic professionals have continued to make new advancements
12 and developments in understanding the world, while also giving
13 new meaning and insight into Darwin's vision; and
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15 WHEREAS, evolution has become so ingrained in our country's
16 history that it is an accepted and necessary part of the
17 reasoning in carrying out scientific research as well as in our
18 understanding of society; and
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20 WHEREAS, the concept of evolution has profoundly impacted
21 and furthered the survival of the human race by allowing
22 researchers and scientists to make significant progress in the
23 fields of science, technology, and medicine; and
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25 WHEREAS, Charles Darwin's legacy continues to influence and
26 urge scientists, philosophers, and students to explore and
27 develop new theories of mankind; and
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29 WHEREAS, the anniversary of Darwin's birthday is a time to
30 reflect and celebrate the importance of his scientific
31 achievements and recognize the new theories and advancements in



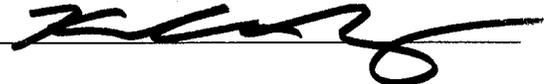
1 evolution that have developed from Darwin's ideas and
2 philosophy; and

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4 WHEREAS, the teachings and philosophy of Charles Darwin are
5 the cornerstone of natural sciences; now, therefore,

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7 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
8 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
9 Session of 2014, that this body recognizes "Charles Darwin Day"
10 on February 12 of each year to celebrate all of Charles Darwin's
11 achievements in the field of science; and

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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
14 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor.

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