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# SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A STUDY ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF TRADITIONAL HAWAIIAN PRACTICES, INCLUDING THE MAKAHIKI, AND THEIR EFFECT ON THE PERPETUATION OF NATIVE HAWAIIAN CULTURE.

1           WHEREAS, many Native Hawaiians have an interest in  
2 maintaining their traditional cultural practices; and  
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4           WHEREAS, makahiki games show the strength of Hawaiian  
5 warriors and keep Native Hawaiians connected to their roots; and  
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7           WHEREAS, prime examples of makahiki games include ulu  
8 maika, oo ihe, hukihuki, pa uma, and haka moa; and  
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10           WHEREAS, makahiki games such as hakamoa demonstrate how the  
11 Native Hawaiian people were capable of strength and stamina in  
12 times of war; now, therefore,  
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14           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature  
15 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019, that the Office  
16 of Hawaiian Affairs is requested to conduct a study on the  
17 significance of traditional Hawaiian practices and their effect  
18 on the perpetuation of Native Hawaiian culture; and  
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20           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is requested that the scope  
21 of the study include the significance of the makahiki, its  
22 impact on the continuation of Native Hawaiian cultural  
23 practices, and the need for the continuation of all makahiki  
24 practices for the purpose of preserving and perpetuating the  
25 Native Hawaiian culture for future generations; and  
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27           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs  
28 is requested to submit its findings to the Legislature no later  
29 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session  
30 of 2020; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of  
3 Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.  
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