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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING FEDERAL TAX INCENTIVES TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF  
RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES.

1           WHEREAS, the use of petroleum accounts for ninety per cent  
2 of the state's energy needs; and  
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4           WHEREAS, this overdependency on fossil fuel leaves the  
5 state extremely vulnerable to oil embargos, supply disruptions,  
6 international market dysfunctions, and other risks; and  
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8           WHEREAS, the continued consumption of petroleum negatively  
9 impacts the state's environment; and  
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11           WHEREAS, Hawaii has an abundance of renewable energy  
12 resources, such as solar, geothermal, wind, biomass, and ocean  
13 energy; and  
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15           WHEREAS, the increased use of renewable energy resources  
16 would achieve broad societal benefits including energy self-  
17 sufficiency, environmental sustainability, economic development,  
18 and job creation; and  
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20           WHEREAS, new wind and solar projects in Hawaii are in  
21 jeopardy given the expiration of federal wind and solar energy  
22 tax incentives on December 31, 2008; now, therefore,  
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24           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
25 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
26 Session of 2008, the Senate concurring, that this body supports  
27 the continuation of federal wind and solar energy tax incentives  
28 for a period of at least five years; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
2 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States,  
3 Hawaii's Congressional Delegation, the Secretary of the United  
4 States Department of Energy, the American Wind Energy  
5 Association, and the American Solar Industry Association.

