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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO ESTABLISH A WESTERN  
WHITE HOUSE IN THE STATE OF HAWAII.

1           WHEREAS, throughout the history of the United States, past  
2 presidents have often maintained residences other than the  
3 official presidential residence at the White House in  
4 Washington, D.C.; and

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6           WHEREAS, the "Western White House" is a term often applied  
7 to additional residences maintained by a President; and

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9           WHEREAS, several former presidents, including Lyndon B.  
10 Johnson, Richard M. Nixon, and Ronald Reagan, maintained a  
11 Western White House during their respective administrations; and

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13           WHEREAS, at times during World War II, the Royal Hawaiian  
14 Hotel in Honolulu, Hawaii served as a Western White House for  
15 President Franklin Delano Roosevelt; and

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17           WHEREAS, many former presidents have utilized a Western  
18 White House, not only as a residence, but also as a place to  
19 administer their duties as chief executive and to host numerous  
20 dignitaries from other nations; and

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22           WHEREAS, the twenty-first century has been referred to as  
23 the Pacific Century because of the increasing influence of  
24 Pacific Rim countries in international relations and global  
25 economics, as well as the build-up of military forces in the  
26 region; and

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28           WHEREAS, China and India represent the world's largest and  
29 fastest growing populations, and their economies are expected to  
30 demonstrate a similar rate of growth; and

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1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's proximity to Asia, close ties with  
 2 several Asian and Pacific countries, established infrastructure  
 3 and military presence, and resources such as the East-West  
 4 Center and the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council make Hawaii the  
 5 ideal location from which to foster improved relations with all  
 6 Asian and Pacific countries, meet with foreign delegates, and  
 7 administer the duties of the chief executive as the world moves  
 8 into the Pacific Century; and  
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10 WHEREAS, appropriate facilities already exist within the  
 11 State that, in the past, have been used by President Bill  
 12 Clinton to meet with foreign dignitaries and could be adapted to  
 13 serve as a Western White House for President Barack Obama; now,  
 14 therefore,  
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16 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
 17 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
 18 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the President of the United  
 19 States is urged to establish a Western White House in the State  
 20 of Hawaii; and  
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 23 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the  
 24 United States, the Governor, and the members of Hawaii's  
 25 congressional delegation.  
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