HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF VETERANS' SERVICES, ASSISTED BY THE
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES AND THE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO CREATE
MEMORIALS TO THE VETERANS OF THE PERSIAN GULF WAR AND WOMEN
VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II ON THE GROUNDS OF THE STATE
CAPITOL NEAR THE KOREAN AND VIETNAM WAR MEMORIAL.

WHEREAS, the freedom and security that citizens of the
United States (U.S.) enjoy today are direct results of the
sacrifice and continued vigilance maintained by the U.S. Armed
Forces over the course of our nation's history; and

WHEREAS, the sacrifices of members of the U.S. Armed Forces
have preserved the liberties that have enriched this nation,
making it unique in the world community; and

WHEREAS, members of the United States Armed Forces engaged
in the Persian Gulf War from August 2, 1990 to February 28,
1991, that culminated in the liberation of Kuwait from the
invasion by Iraq; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 1994, Hawaii dedicated the Korean and
Vietnam War Memorial on the grounds of the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, it is both fitting and necessary for the State to
give tangible and visible recognition of the sacrifices and
contributions of veterans from Hawaii who served in the Persian
Gulf War, and women veterans from Hawaii who served in World War
II; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
of 2010, that the Office of Veterans' Services (OVS), with the
assistance of the Department of Accounting and General Services
(DAGS) and the Department of Defense (DOD), is requested to
develop a plan to create memorials to the veterans of the
Persian Gulf War and women veterans of World War II on the
grounds of the State Capitol near the Korean and Vietnam War Memorial; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that OVS is requested to include in the plan information on the availability of funds to support the memorial project from federal, state, and private sources; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that DOD and DAGS are requested to provide assistance to and full cooperation with OVS; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that OVS is requested to submit a report to the Legislature, including any necessary proposed legislation, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2011; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the Office of Veterans' Services, the Comptroller, and the Adjutant General.