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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE SAN FRANCISCO MEXICAN CONSULATE TO CONSIDER  
ESTABLISHMENT OF A MEXICAN CONSULATE IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii does not have a permanent Mexican consulate  
2 and Mexican nationals living in Hawaii fall under the  
3 jurisdiction of the Consulate General of Mexico in San  
4 Francisco, California; and

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6 WHEREAS, the population of Mexican nationals in Hawaii has  
7 increased and the need for consular support has grown; and

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9 WHEREAS, according to the 2010 Census data and the Pew  
10 Hispanic Center, the total population of Latinos in Hawaii is  
11 approximately 151,000 of which approximately 65,000 are Mexican;  
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14 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii benefits in the areas of  
15 business, agriculture, tourism, and culture from the presence of  
16 the Mexican community, which began in 1830; and

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18 WHEREAS, Mexican nationals living in Hawaii suffer a lack  
19 of accessibility to the San Francisco consulate due to the  
20 insular nature of the State of Hawaii and its distance from the  
21 United States mainland; and

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23 WHEREAS, the San Francisco consulate's visits and contact  
24 with Mexican nationals living in Hawaii is limited due to  
25 Hawaii's distance from the United States mainland and funds  
26 available for travel; and

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28 WHEREAS, the lack of accessibility to the Mexican Consulate  
29 in San Francisco results in unmet needs of Mexican nationals in  
30 Hawaii, such as the expiration of, and inability to obtain,  
31 required documents and difficulty addressing abusive treatment  
32 and rights violations; and



1 WHEREAS, the government of the United Mexican States has 73  
2 embassies around the world and 51 consulates in the United  
3 States; now, therefore,  
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
6 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
7 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Secretary of Foreign  
8 Affairs of the United Mexican States, is requested to consider  
9 establishing a permanent Mexican Consulate in the State of  
10 Hawaii to improve consular presence and address the needs of  
11 Mexican nationals living in Hawaii; and  
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
14 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the  
15 United Mexican States; Secretary of Foreign Affairs, United  
16 Mexican States; the Consulate General of Mexico, San Francisco;  
17 the Honorary Consul of Mexico in Hawaii; members of Hawaii's  
18 congressional delegation; and the Governor.

