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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES  
CONGRESS TO LOWER NATIONAL ENERGY COSTS BY APPROVING THE  
KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE.

1           WHEREAS, the United States relies largely on imported  
2 fossil fuels for its power needs; and  
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4           WHEREAS, the rising gasoline and energy prices are now  
5 impacting families, individuals and businesses throughout our  
6 nation; and  
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8           WHEREAS, the United States Congress recently did not  
9 approve an amendment to the Federal Highway Reauthorization bill  
10 that would have allowed the Keystone XL pipeline project to  
11 proceed and reduce energy costs; and  
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13           WHEREAS, the Keystone XL project will create jobs and good  
14 wages in this difficult economic climate, and the pipeline has  
15 been projected to create 20,000 immediate jobs in the heartland  
16 of our country and up to 200,000 indirect jobs, and has the  
17 backing of such notable labor organizations as the AFL-CIO; and  
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19           WHEREAS, environmental researchers have documented that  
20 pipeline projects can lower America's carbon footprint by  
21 dramatically lowering by the thousands the number of trucks on  
22 America's highways and can serve as an environmentally sound  
23 method for delivering supplies and liquid resources to most  
24 parts of our nation; and  
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26           WHEREAS, alternate pipeline routes are available and should  
27 be utilized to avoid dangerous environmental impacts; now,  
28 therefore,  
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30           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
31 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session



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1 of 2012, the Senate concurring, that the President of the United  
2 States and the United States Congress are urged to  
3 wholeheartedly support and approve the Keystone XL pipeline  
4 project, that will place our country on a path of tapping into  
5 domestic resources in an environmentally and economically  
6 responsible manner; and  
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
9 Concurrent Resolution be distributed to the President of the  
10 United States, Hawaii's Congressional Delegation, the Governor  
11 of the State of Hawaii, and the Director of the Department of  
12 Business, Economic Development and Tourism.  
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