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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING KA LEO O HAWAII ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 90<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY.

1           WHEREAS, while the natural beauty of Hawaii is recognized  
2 throughout the world, the beauty of our island state also lies  
3 in its people, who through personal relationships with family,  
4 friends, and neighbors and dedicated efforts to serve the needs  
5 of others, have created the prosperity and high living standards  
6 we enjoy today; and  
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8           WHEREAS, in September of 1922, a group of students at the  
9 University of Hawaii at Manoa started the campus' first weekly  
10 newspaper, The Hawaii Mirror, to foster student engagement in  
11 university affairs and inform the student body and the general  
12 public of campus news and events; and  
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14           WHEREAS, the name of that newspaper was changed by a  
15 student vote two months later to KA LEO O HAWAII, The Voice of  
16 Hawaii; and  
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18           WHEREAS, KA LEO O HAWAII has been a training ground for  
19 community leaders and professional journalists and photographers  
20 such as Yasuo Baron Goto, Walter Short, Shuzo Sakamaki, Hiram  
21 Fong, Reuben Tam, Joshua Agsalud, Gerald Kato, Richard Borreca,  
22 Robert Lopez, Daryl Huff, Betty Shimabukuro, K. Mark Takai, Jim  
23 McCoy, Mary Vorsino, Ikaika Hussey, Michael Keany, among  
24 hundreds of others throughout the islands and around the world;  
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27           WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii at Manoa has remained  
28 committed to a free college press by allowing students to make  
29 decisions about what should be covered; and



1           WHEREAS, students handle all aspects of KA LEO O HAWAII  
2 operations from writing to editing, designing, advertising, and  
3 promoting their newspaper and website; and  
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5           WHEREAS, KA LEO O HAWAII writers have successfully competed  
6 against their professional counterparts in breaking news stories  
7 and have been willing to challenge others who would suppress  
8 their First Amendment Rights; and  
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10           WHEREAS, KA LEO O HAWAII staffers have won national awards  
11 for editorial and advertising excellence; and  
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13           WHEREAS, KA LEO O HAWAII's circulation of 10,000 copies  
14 three times a week makes it one of the largest circulating  
15 newspapers in the State after the Honolulu Star-Advertiser,  
16 Hawaii Tribune-Herald, The Maui News, and West Hawaii Today;  
17 now, therefore,  
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19           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
20 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
21 of 2012, that this body hereby congratulates KA LEO O HAWAII on  
22 the occasion of its 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, commends the University of  
23 Hawaii at Manoa for maintaining its commitment to a free student  
24 press for 90 years, and respectfully requests the University of  
25 Hawaii at Manoa and KA LEO O HAWAII to continue to maintain that  
26 tradition.  
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