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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING MEMBERS OF HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO INTRODUCE  
FEDERAL LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE THE KAHOO LAWE ISLAND RESERVE  
COMMISSION WITH FUNDING FOR THE LONG-TERM RESTORATION OF  
KAHOO LAWE.

1           WHEREAS, Title X of the 1994 Department of Defense  
2 Appropriations Act conveyed Kahoolawe and its surrounding waters  
3 back to the State; and  
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5           WHEREAS, pursuant to chapter 6K, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
6 the Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission administers and manages  
7 the Kahoolawe Island Reserve while it is held in trust for a  
8 future Native Hawaiian sovereign entity; and  
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10           WHEREAS, the Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission  
11 establishes policies for and controls uses of the Kahoolawe  
12 Island Reserve; coordinates the environmental restoration of the  
13 Reserve; and provides for the perpetuation of native Hawaiian  
14 customs, beliefs, and practices; and  
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16           WHEREAS, the 1994 Department of Defense Appropriations Act  
17 appropriated \$44,000,000 to the State to carry out environmental  
18 restoration and other archaeological and educational activities  
19 on the Kahoolawe Island Reserve; and  
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21           WHEREAS, the federal funding has allowed the Kahoolawe  
22 Island Reserve Commission to establish many of its innovative  
23 programs that emphasize ancestral and traditional knowledge,  
24 provide a cultural approach of respect and connectivity to the  
25 environment, and integrate ancient and modern resource  
26 management techniques; and  
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28           WHEREAS, the federal appropriation, although substantial,  
29 is not sufficient to establish a sustainable endowment for the  
30 long-term restoration of Kahoolawe; now, therefore,



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 2 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
 3 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
 4 Session of 2014, the Senate concurring, that the members of  
 5 Hawaii's congressional delegation are urged to introduce federal  
 6 legislation to provide the Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission  
 7 with funding for the long-term restoration of Kahoolawe; and

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 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 10 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to members of Hawaii's  
 11 congressional delegation and the Chairperson of the Kahoolawe  
 12 Island Reserve Commission.  
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