
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO PLAN AND COORDINATE THE CELEBRATION
OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE STATE FOUNDATION ON
CULTURE AND THE ARTS.

1 WHEREAS, the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts
2 (Foundation) was established by the Legislature in 1965, in
3 large part through the vision and effort of Hawaii leaders such
4 as architect and State Planning Coordinator Alfred Preis, the
5 Foundation's Founding Chairperson Masaru "Pundy" Yokouchi, State
6 Senator Nadao Yoshinaga, and Governor John Burns; and

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8 WHEREAS, the mission of the Foundation is to promote,
9 perpetuate, preserve, and encourage culture and the arts,
10 history, and the humanities as central to the quality of life of
11 the people of Hawaii; and

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13 WHEREAS, creation of the Foundation made Hawaii eligible to
14 receive federal grants from the National Endowment for the Arts;
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17 WHEREAS, the Foundation, through its Biennium Grants
18 Program, has provided millions of dollars to nurture and
19 invigorate arts and cultural programming statewide; and

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21 WHEREAS, in 1967, the Legislature enacted the Art in State
22 Buildings law, which established the Art in Public Places
23 Program within the Foundation, a program that was the first of
24 its kind in the nation; and

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26 WHEREAS, in 1970, the Foundation and the Department of
27 Education established the Artists in the Schools Program, which
28 is a statewide program to provide students from kindergarten
29 through twelfth grade the opportunity to work directly with
30 professional artists, a program that was also the first of its
31 kind in the nation; and

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1 WHEREAS, in 1983, the Foundation, through a grant from the
2 National Endowment for the Arts, initiated the Folk Arts Program
3 to promote and perpetuate traditional folk arts throughout the
4 State; and

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6 WHEREAS, in 1993, the Legislature established the
7 Individual Artist Fellowship Program within the Foundation to
8 recognize and honor Hawaii's talented visual and performing
9 artists; and

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11 WHEREAS, 2015 marks the fiftieth anniversary of the
12 Foundation; now, therefore,

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14 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
15 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
16 Session of 2014, the Senate concurring, that there is
17 established, within the Department of Accounting and General
18 Services, a task force to plan and coordinate the celebration of
19 the fiftieth anniversary of the Hawaii State Foundation on
20 Culture and the Arts; and

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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notwithstanding section 26-34,
23 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the task force members be selected as
24 follows:

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26 (1) Three members to be selected by the President of the
27 Senate;
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29 (2) Three members to be selected by the Speaker of the
30 House of Representatives;
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32 (3) Five members to be selected by the Governor;
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34 (4) Four members to be selected by the Comptroller;
35 provided that at least two members shall be Foundation
36 employees; and
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38 (5) The Comptroller, or the Comptroller's designee, who
39 shall serve as an ex officio member; and

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41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the task force be
42 selected by the task force members; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a vacancy on the task force be
2 filled by the same selection authority that appointed the
3 vacating member; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that eight members of the task force
6 constitute a quorum; provided that an affirmative vote of six
7 members shall be necessary to make decisions; and
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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force meeting schedule
10 be determined by the members; and
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to
13 develop, plan, and coordinate various program activities to
14 celebrate and commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the
15 Foundation, including a series of events from July 1, 2014,
16 through December 31, 2015; and
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to
19 submit a report of its activities, plans, and recommendations,
20 including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later
21 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
22 of 2015; and
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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report include:
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- 26 (1) Events the task force has planned and executed prior
27 to the submission of the report;
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- 29 (2) A detailed plan on how the task force will implement
30 its remaining recommendations; and
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- 32 (3) The identification and recommendation of procedures
33 for the appropriate disbursement of any public funds
34 related to the task force's work; and
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36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force be exempt from
37 chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
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39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that members of the task force not
40 be considered state employees for the purposes of chapter 84,
41 Hawaii Revised Statutes, due solely to their service on the task
42 force; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, President
3 of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
4 Comptroller, and Executive Director of the State Foundation on
5 Culture and the Arts.

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