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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE GOVERNOR TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL LABORATORY IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the national laboratories have served as leading  
2 institutions for scientific research in the United States for  
3 more than seventy years; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the seventeen national laboratories maintained by  
6 the United States Department of Energy are carrying out cutting-  
7 edge studies on pressing issues like clean energy, climate  
8 change, sustainable manufacturing, and infectious diseases; and  
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10 WHEREAS, national laboratories have unique access to  
11 resources, including instruments and facilities, that are  
12 available nowhere else in the world; and  
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14 WHEREAS, national laboratories also attract top scientific  
15 experts and create thousands of jobs for their host communities;  
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18 WHEREAS, Hawaii's geography, resources, and abundance of  
19 talent make it an ideal location for a national laboratory; now,  
20 therefore,  
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22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature  
23 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, the House of  
24 Representatives concurring, that the Governor is urged to enter  
25 into negotiations with the United States Department of Energy to  
26 establish a national laboratory in the State; and  
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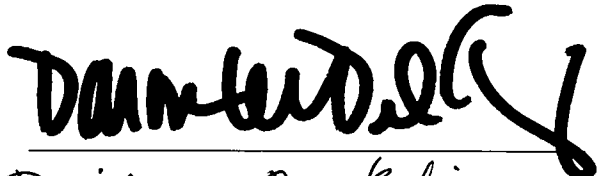
28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor is requested to  
29 update the Legislature annually, no later than twenty days  
30 before the convening of the 2021 Regular Session, on the status  
31 of the negotiations and the terms of any proposed agreement; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, United  
3 States Secretary of Energy, and each member of the National  
4 Laboratory Directors' Council.  
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