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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE HAWAII SISTER-STATE COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND THE
INITIATION OF A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HAWAII
AND FUJIAN PROVINCE.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's relations with sister states and
2 provinces are governed by chapter 229, Hawaii Revised Statutes;
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5 WHEREAS, pursuant to section 229-3, Hawaii Revised
6 Statutes, the initiation of a sister-state relationship between
7 Hawaii and another state or province follows an evaluation and
8 recommendation by the Hawaii Sister-State Committee, which then
9 forwards its recommendation to the Legislature for its
10 consideration; and

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12 WHEREAS, the Legislature, if it so chooses, implements the
13 Hawaii Sister-State Committee's recommendation to initiate a
14 sister-state or province relationship by either adopting a
15 concurrent resolution or enacting a session law for that
16 purpose; and

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18 WHEREAS, Hawaii already has sister-state relations with
19 three entities in the Greater China region: Guangdong
20 (established in 1985), Hainan (established in 1992), and Taiwan
21 (established in 1993); and

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23 WHEREAS, Fujian province is a southeastern Chinese province
24 with a population of approximately 41,500,000 and has the
25 second-highest gross domestic product per capita of all
26 provinces in China; and

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28 WHEREAS, on October 21, 2021, the mayors of Honolulu and
29 Fuzhou, the capital city of Fujian province, established a
30 sister-city relationship via video link; now, therefore,
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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second
2 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023,
3 that the Hawaii Sister-State Committee is urged to recommend the
4 initiation of a sister-state relationship between Hawaii and
5 Fujian province; and

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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
8 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and Chairperson of the
9 Hawaii Sister-State Committee.

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OFFERED BY: 

