
HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE
DURING NATURAL DISASTERS IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the Hawaii National Guard was established on
2 January 27, 1893, to assist authorities in providing for the
3 safety, welfare, and defense of the people of Hawaii; and
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5 WHEREAS, the Hawaii National Guard, on order of the
6 Governor of the State of Hawaii, provides forces and
7 capabilities to support civil authorities in response to natural
8 and manmade disasters, civil disturbances, and terroristic
9 threats or incidents to protect life and property, alleviate
10 suffering, expedite recovery, and prevent interruptions to
11 essential civil, state, and federal operations; and
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13 WHEREAS, the Hawaii National Guard is comprised of the
14 HAWAII ARMY NATIONAL GUARD (HIARNG) and HAWAII AIR NATIONAL
15 GUARD (HIANG); and
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17 WHEREAS, HIARNG, commanded by Brigadier General Joseph J.
18 Chaves, is composed of three major commands: the 29th Infantry
19 Brigade Combat Team (IBCT), 103rd Troop Command, and 298th
20 Regiment-Multifunctional Regional Training Institute, the units
21 and installations of which are located in communities on the
22 islands of Hawaii, Maui, Oahu, Molokai, and Kauai; and
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24 WHEREAS, HIANG, commanded by Major General Darryll D.M.
25 Wong, is composed of the 154th Wing and 201st Combat
26 Communications Group, the units and installations of which are
27 located on the islands of Oahu, Maui, and Hawaii, and in Alaska;
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30 WHEREAS, the 168th Aviation, 291st Combat Communications
31 Squadron (CBCS), 154th Air Communications Squadron, Army Aviation
32 Support Facility #1 (AASF#1), and 29th IBCT of the Hawaii



1 National Guard transported large water pumps from the island of
2 Hawaii to Kauai to divert and alleviate pressure against the dam
3 structure during the Ka Loko Dam breach; and
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5 WHEREAS, the AASF#1, Joint Forces Headquarters Unit-Hawaii
6 (JFHQ-HI), and 29th IBCT Hawaii National Guard units successfully
7 inserted a John Deere 110 Backhoe into the Honokane Nui Valley
8 when it could not be accessed by vehicle after the Big Island
9 earthquakes; and
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11 WHEREAS, the combined efforts of the 292nd CBCS, 29th IBCT,
12 230th Engineers, JFHQ-HI, and the county of Maui helped clear 144
13 tons of debris and enabled state and local authorities to
14 alleviate suffering, mitigate danger, restore critical
15 functions, and facilitate recovery on Maui, further enhancing
16 the abilities of both the county and Hawaii National Guard to
17 execute coordinated, timely, and value-added support to the
18 people of Maui; now, therefore,
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20 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
21 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
22 Session of 2008, that this body hereby recognizes and
23 congratulates the HAWAII AIR NATIONAL GUARD and the HAWAII ARMY
24 NATIONAL GUARD for their exemplary initiatives and successes,
25 for responding to natural disasters in a timely manner, and for
26 being available to answer the call of duty with valor and self
27 sacrifice.
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