
HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING PEARL HARBOR NAVAL SHIPYARD FOR 100 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES NAVY AND COMMENDING THE SHIPYARD FOR ITS COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE OF HAWAI`I.

1 WHEREAS, the United States Congress approved legislation on
2 May 13, 1908 to establish the "Navy Yard Pearl Harbor," which
3 has grown over the past 100 years from a "coaling and repair
4 station" to become the "No Ka Oi Shipyard" and a national
5 treasure, strategically important to our nation and equally
6 vital to the State of Hawai'i; and
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8 WHEREAS, Shipyard workers earned the motto "We Keep Them
9 Fit to Fight" during World War II by resurrecting the U.S.
10 Pacific Fleet from the bottom of Pearl Harbor, helping to turn
11 the tide of the war at Midway, and maintaining the ships that
12 would ultimately win victory at sea and sail triumphantly into
13 Tokyo Bay; and
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15 WHEREAS, the Shipyard has supported and continues to
16 support our nation's Pacific Fleet, from the days of World War
17 II, through Korea, Vietnam, the long Cold War, and the Gulf War,
18 to the current war in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere around
19 the world, and, as the largest ship repair facility between the
20 West Coast of the United States and the Far East, provides full-
21 service regional maintenance for the ships and submarines of the
22 Navy's fleet throughout the Asia-Pacific theater; and
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24 WHEREAS, through times of war and times of peace, the
25 Shipyard has become the largest single industrial employer in
26 the State of Hawai'i, and the largest fully integrated military-
27 civilian workforce involved in full-service shipyard work in the
28 United States, earning along the way multiple national-level
29 awards for its dedicated environmental stewardship and excellent
30 safety programs (such as the prestigious Occupational Safety and
31 Health Administration's "Star" award in May 2007); and

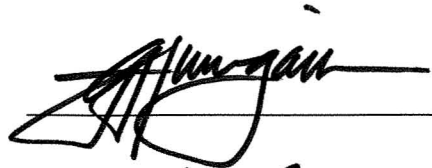


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WHEREAS, the Shipyard plays an equally important role in the State of Hawai`i, both economically and socially, with an annual economic impact of more than \$600 million, and, through its Apprentice, Engineer Co-Op, and other student-hire programs, on-going training and employment opportunities that for several generations have provided and now continue to provide great careers for Hawai`i's sons and daughters, so that they may remain in Hawai`i to live and work near their families; now, therefore,


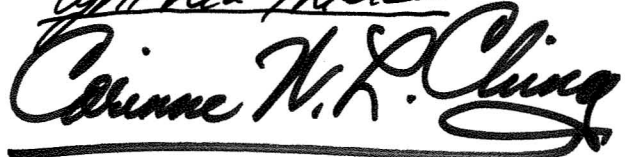
BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawai`i, Regular Session of 2008, that the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility be commended and congratulated for its 100 years of exemplary service to the State of Hawai`i and to our Nation, and extends this body's warmest aloha and best wishes for continued success.

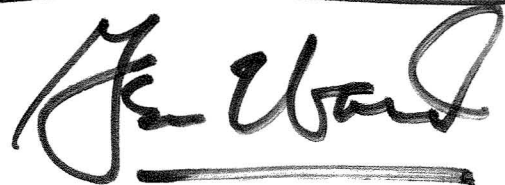
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