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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE KAPIOLANI WOMEN'S CENTER, ON BOARD FOR A CURE,  
AND THE IWALANI FOUNDATION FOR BREAST CANCER FOR THEIR  
DEDICATION TO BREAST CANCER PREVENTION AND THE HEALTH AND  
WELL-BEING OF THE WOMEN OF HAWAII.

1           WHEREAS, breast cancer will strike one out of eight women  
2 during their lifetime, making it the most common cancer among  
3 women and the second leading cause of female cancer deaths; and  
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5           WHEREAS, this year alone, over one hundred eighty thousand  
6 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women  
7 and about forty thousand women are expected to die from breast  
8 cancer; and  
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10           WHEREAS, native Hawaiian women have the highest death rate  
11 from breast cancer among all groups in the United States, and  
12 late stage diagnosis is common among Filipino and native  
13 Hawaiian women; and  
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15           WHEREAS, although breast cancer is less common in Asian  
16 American and Pacific Islander women than in white or African  
17 American women, the incidence of Asian American and Pacific  
18 Islander women being diagnosed with breast cancer has been  
19 steadily increasing; and  
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21           WHEREAS, when breast cancer is detected in the early stages  
22 and treated immediately, patients have a ninety-five per cent  
23 recovery rate; and  
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25           WHEREAS, education is the most important way to raise  
26 awareness, encourage mammograms, and prevent the suffering of  
27 future victims of breast cancer; and  
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29           WHEREAS, the Iwalani Foundation, founded by Iwalani Tseu,  
30 has passionately embraced the challenge of educating the women



1 of Hawaii, especially those of Native Hawaiian ancestry, about  
2 the risks and realities of breast cancer; and  
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4 WHEREAS, the staff of Kapiolani Women's Center, who have  
5 cared for Hawaii's women for over one hundred years, have joined  
6 On Board For A Cure to educate our entire community on the  
7 critical need for breast cancer prevention; and  
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9 WHEREAS, On Board For A Cure is making waves of awareness  
10 with its education campaign to prevent, detect, and one day,  
11 cure breast cancer, with its sixty-minute television special  
12 featuring the stories of survival, healing, and hope from Hawaii  
13 breast cancer survivors set to premiere on April 20, 2008; now,  
14 therefore,  
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16 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
17 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii that this body  
18 recognizes and honors the courage of breast cancer survivors and  
19 offers its deepest thanks and gratitude to Kapiolani Women's  
20 Center, On Board For A Cure, and the Iwalani Foundation for  
21 their dedication and hard work toward preventing the tragedy of  
22 breast cancer and saving the lives of our beloved mothers,  
23 daughters, and sisters.  
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