Resolution

No. 16-162

APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2017 MAUI COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL TO RECOGNIZE NOVEMBER 28 AS LA KU'OKO'A, HAWAII'S INDEPENDENCE DAY

WHEREAS, on November 28, 1843, the Anglo-French Proclamation, recognizing the independence of the Hawaiian Kingdom, was signed at the Court of London by the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the King of France; and

WHEREAS, the Anglo-French Proclamation declared:

Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and His Majesty the King of the French, taking into consideration the existence in the Sandwich Islands (Hawaiian Islands) of a government capable of providing for the regularity of its relations with foreign nations, have thought it right to engage, reciprocally, to consider the Sandwich Islands as an Independent State, and never to take possession, neither directly or under the title of Protectorate, or under any other form, of any part of the territory of which they are composed, and

WHEREAS, the delegation responsible for securing the recognition on behalf of the Hawaiian Kingdom included Timoteo Ha`alilio, William Richards, and Sir George Simpson; and

WHEREAS, recognition of Hawaii's independence day as "La Ku'oko'a" would support a renewed effort to remember that Hawaii was a fully recognized member in the world family of nations and provide an opportunity for reflection each year; and

WHEREAS, November 28 should be known and designated as "La Ku`oko`a" to celebrate the historical recognition of the independence of the Kingdom of Hawaii; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

- That the proposed State bill, attached as Exhibit "A," to 1. recognize November 28 as "La Ku`oko`a," Hawaii's independence day, is approved for inclusion in the 2017 Maui County Legislative Package; and
- 2. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, County of Maui; the Governor, State of Hawaii; the Senate President, State of Hawaii; and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Hawaii.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LA KU'OKO'A.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
- 3 read as follows:
- 4 "§8-__ La Ku`oko`a. November 28 of each year shall be
- 5 known and designated as "La Ku`oko`a" to celebrate the historical
- 6 recognition of independence of the Kingdom of Hawaii, except that
- 7 this day is not, and shall not, be construed to be a state
- 8 holiday.
- 9 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored. In
- 10 codifying the new section, the revisor of statutes shall
- 11 substitute appropriate section numbers in this Act.
- 12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2018.

INTRODUCED BY:____

EXHIBIT "A"

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

WAILUKU, HAWAII 96793

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION

It is HEREBY CERTIFIED that RESOLUTION NO. 16-162 was adopted by the Council of the County of Maui, State of Hawaii, on the 2nd day of December, 2016, by the following vote:

MEMBERS	Michael B. WHITE Chair	Donald S. GUZMAN Vice-Chair	Gladys C. BAISA	Robert CARROLL	Eleanora COCHRAN	Donald G. COUCH, JR.	S. Stacy CRIVELLO	G. Riki HOKAMA	Michael P. VICTORINO
ROLL CALL	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Excused	Aye	Excused

COUNTY CLERK