

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI‘I AT MĀNOA
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Senate Resolution 01-17

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF CONGRESSMAN K. MARK TAKAI

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE SENATE:

- WHEREAS*, the Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa (ASUH) Senate is the elected body representing approximately 14,000 full-time classified undergraduate students; and,
- WHEREAS*, Congressman Takai graduated from Pearl City High School in 1985 and attended the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, earning a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science in 1990 and a Master of Public Health in 1993; and
- WHEREAS*, Congressman Takai was elected to the ASUH Senate in 1986 and served four terms in office, up until he completed his undergraduate studies in 1990; and
- WHEREAS*, Congressman Takai served as an ASUH Senator from 1986 to 1987, as the ASUH Vice President from 1987 to 1988, as the Chair of Campus Affairs Committee from 1988 to 1989, and as the ASUH President from 1989 to 1990; and,
- WHEREAS*, By the ASUH Constitution, Congressman Takai, having been a past ASUH President, was a lifelong, honorary member of the ASUH; and,
- WHEREAS*, While serving on ASUH, as President, Congressman Takai introduced numerous legislation including but not limited to Senate Resolution 1-90 “*TO COOPERATE WITH BEIJING STUDENTS, TO CONDEMN GOVERNMENT’S USE OF UNDUE LETHAL FORCE, AND TO URGE PRESIDENT BUSH TO APPLY SANCTIONS AGAINST IT*”, Senate Resolution 2-90 “*IN SUPPORT OF FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE IN THE AREA OF PAY, SALARY, AND BENEFITS FOR THE UH FACULTY*”, Senate Resolution 6-90 “*IN OPPOSITION TO THE RECOMMENDED TUITION INCREASE FOR 1991-96*”; and,
- WHEREAS*, During his time in ASUH, Congressman Takai passionately fought for the well-being and rights of the community; and,
- WHEREAS*, After graduating from the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, Congressman Takai built a career in public service; and,
- WHEREAS*, In 1994, Congressman Takai was elected to the Hawai‘i House of Representatives; and,
- WHEREAS*, Congressman Takai served ten terms in the Hawai‘i House of Representatives, from 1994 to 2014 when he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives to represent Hawai‘i’s 1st Congressional District; and,

- WHEREAS*, Congressman Takai served in the U.S. House of Representatives from 2015 up until the time of his passing; and,
- WHEREAS*, Congressman Takai also served in the Hawai‘i Army National Guard from 1999 up until the time of his passing; and,
- WHEREAS*, Congressman Takai maintained contact with ASUH throughout his professional career, providing encouragement and support for student leaders and student initiatives whenever he could; and,
- WHEREAS*, Congressman Takai passed away on July 20, 2016 after a battle with pancreatic cancer; and,
- WHEREAS*, Congressman Takai will be remembered by ASUH as a University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa student leader and ASUH President who went on to honorably serve the State of Hawai‘i, the Nation, and all of its citizens; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the undergraduate students of the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, the 104th ASUH Senate honors and recognizes Congressman K. Mark Takai’s overall commitment and contributions to public service, including his years of service to the students of the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on behalf of the undergraduate students of the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, the 104th ASUH Senate expresses its sincerest condolences to the family members of Congressman K. Mark Takai; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution be sent to: the Family of K. Mark Takai, the Office Staff of K. Mark Takai, Governor David Ige, Hawai‘i Representative Sylvia Luke, Hawai‘i Representative Scott Nishimoto, the Honolulu Star Advertiser, Honolulu Civil Beat, and the Ka Leo o Hawai‘i.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Aye(s): Vice President Dela Cruz, Treasurer Hinshaw, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Callihan, Enriquez, Senators Delos Reyes, Honda, Ishii, Kim, Lao, Lee, Negrillo, Urasaki, Utashiro, Wang **[15]**

Naye(s): **[0]**

Abstention(s): **[0]**

Introducers: Maggie Hinshaw, Treasurer; Jessica Chen, Senator-At-Large; David Enriquez, Senator-At-Large