

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I AT MĀNOA
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SENATE RESOLUTION 01-24
URGING FURTHER FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS IMPACTED BY THE LĀHAINA
& KULA FIRES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE SENATE:

- WHEREAS,* the Associated Students of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Senate is the elected body representing approximately 11,000 full-time classified undergraduate students; and,
- WHEREAS,* ASUH is committed to advocating for students who have been impacted by the Lāhaina & Kula fires¹; and,
- WHEREAS,* on August 8, 2023 fires devastated historic Lāhaina town resulting in the loss of 1,700 homes and at 2,200 structures; and
- WHEREAS,* on August 8, 2023 54 structures were exposed to the Kula fire 96% being residential²; and
- WHEREAS,* the cost of attendance for Maui residents at UH Mānoa is estimated to range from \$32,331 - \$35,868³; and
- WHEREAS,* on August 11, 2023 the Vice Provost for Student Success sent out an email informing students of support services from UH available for those impacted; and
- WHEREAS,* the ASUH recognizes the need to further support students impacted by this crisis and commits to advocating for said students; and
- WHEREAS,* the ASUH urges further reinforcement of aforementioned efforts including waiving housing costs, tuition, and UH fees, and

¹ Clair Rush, Jennifer Sinco Kelleher, And Christopher Weber “Death toll from devastating Maui fire reaches 101, Hawaii governor says” *APNews*, August 15, 2023, accessed August 17, 2023.

<https://apnews.com/article/hawaii-wildfires-recovery-maui-lahaina-search-c3da091a10e7aaa69022f002d3e241b9>

² HNN Staff “New assessment maps reveal extensive damage, residential impact of Maui wildfires” *Hawai'i News Now*, August 12, 2023, accessed August 17, 2023.

<https://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/2023/08/12/assessment-maps-reveal-extensive-structural-damage-residential-impact-maui-wildfires/>

³ “2023-2024 Cost of Attendance” University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, accessed August 17, 2023,

<https://manoa.hawaii.edu/fas/cost/2023-2024-cost-of-attendance/>.

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implementation through other and all means to provide financial assistance during these trying times.

BE IT RESOLVED,

That we, the ASUH, request further action by the Office of the Vice Provost for Student Success, and the University of Hawai‘i as a whole to support impacted students through financial, emotional, mental, and spiritual relief; and

BE IT RESOLVED,

the ASUH is dedicated to supporting students impacted by the Maui fires with their financial, mental, spiritual, and emotional concerns amid these recent hardships

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be sent to:
the University of Hawai‘i Board of Regents Chair Alapaki Nahale-a and Members,
President David Lassner, Provost Michael Bruno, Vice Provost for Student Success Lori Ideta, Associate Vice Provost and Dean of Students Theresa Critchfield, and the Graduate Student Organization, Ka Leo O Hawai‘i.

INTRODUCED BY: Quinn Goo, Senator of the College of Arts and Sciences

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE SENATE RESOLUTION 01-24

Aye(s): Senator Goo, Senator Stanford, Senator Martin, Senator Hermoso, Senator Li [6]

Naye(s): [0]

Abstention(s): [0]