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## RESOLUTION

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### EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR COMPREHENSIVE FEDERAL IMMIGRATION REFORM.

WHEREAS, families who migrate to the United States today, as in the past, travel across oceans and borders to make better lives for themselves, reunite their families, and leave behind conflict, poverty, and human rights abuses; and

WHEREAS, Hawaii has always been proud of its history of immigration, which has contributed to the state's and nation's industry and commerce and has made Hawaii a vital part of the United States; and

WHEREAS, immigrants from all over the world have played a significant role in Honolulu's growth over the past decades, bringing new life to and spurring investment in our City's neighborhoods, educational systems, and commercial endeavors; and

WHEREAS, each day thousands of immigrants work, buy homes, open businesses, pay taxes, and contribute to the economic, social, and cultural well-being of the City; and

WHEREAS, strong, safe and caring families are the foundation of successful communities, and the City and County of Honolulu champions policies that support family unity and families' abilities to work productively and contribute to the safety of our community; and

WHEREAS, lawfully present and undocumented immigrants are willing to make the arduous and potentially lethal journey to the United States to pursue economic opportunity, seek reunification with family, and escape political and civil unrest; and

WHEREAS, immigration is an urgent federal responsibility and any reform should occur in a comprehensive, thoughtful manner guided by our nation's values of individual responsibility, due process, civil and human rights, accountability, and proportionality; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it urges the 113th United States Congress to enact common sense immigration reform that establishes a clear, expeditious, and reasonable pathway to citizenship, keeps families together, creates a streamlined process to resolve the backlog of existing visa applications, develops a method to ensure the efficient processing of future citizenship applications in a timely manner, upholds our values as a nation, promotes economic growth, increases resources for Federal and State authorities to strengthen security,



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and creates a fair immigration system guided by respect for the human rights of all persons; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council recognizes that immigration reform must protect the rights of all workers and families and provide safe and efficient channels for future immigrants applying for legal entry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council supports administrative action to suspend any further deportations of unauthorized individuals with no serious criminal history who can demonstrate good character, which may be shown by contributions to their community, financial stability, and familial ties to the United States; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, President of the U.S. Senate, the Majority and Minority Leaders of both the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, Hawaii's Congressional delegation, Speaker of the State House of Representatives, President of the State Senate, and the Governor of the state of Hawaii.

INTRODUCED BY:

Joey Manahan

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

April 14, 2014  
Honolulu, Hawaii

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Councilmembers

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU  
HONOLULU, HAWAII  
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**RESOLUTION 14-74, CD1**

Introduced: 04/14/14 By: JOEY MANAHAN

Committee: INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS  
AND HUMAN SERVICES

Title: RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR COMPREHENSIVE FEDERAL IMMIGRATION REFORM.

Voting Legend: \* = Aye w/Reservations

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05/22/14 INTERGOVERNMENTAL CR-172 – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION AS  
AFFAIRS AND HUMAN AMENDED IN CD1 FORM.  
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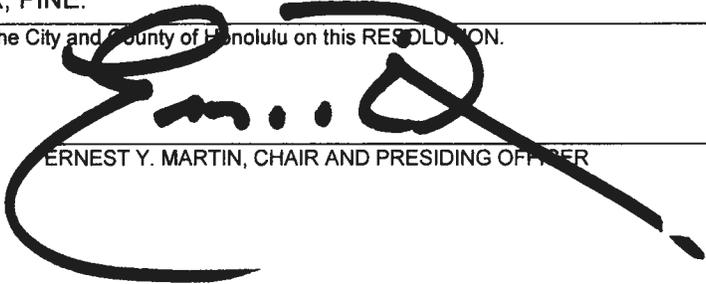
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06/04/14 COUNCIL CR-172 AND RESOLUTION 14-74, CD1 WERE ADOPTED.  
9 AYES: ANDERSON, CHANG, FUKUNAGA, HARIMOTO, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN,  
MARTIN, MENOR, PINE.

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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.

  
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BERNICE K. N. MAU, CITY CLERK

  
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ERNEST Y. MARTIN, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER