

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING HAWAII
SMALL BUSINESSES**

Whereas, the Hawai`i Republican Party advocates *Equality of Opportunity* and *Individual Responsibility*, and small business embodies faith in these principles;

Whereas, small business in Hawaii numbers over 25,000 and accounts for 96.9% of the state's employers and 56.1% of its private-sector employment;

Whereas, small business creates 60 to 80 percent of new jobs and contributes to community building and development;

Whereas, communities and families are made stronger by the bonds and relationships which naturally form from a common work and goal;

Whereas, small business makes a vital impact on the state's economy by offering innovative and diverse products and services to the market;

Whereas, any individual may, regardless of race, color, religion, or socioeconomic background, venture forth in business to create a living for his or her family;

Whereas, small business can create cultures of trust among management and employees, creating a sense of security and individual responsibility not found in big corporations;

Whereas, in a small business each individual can ultimately create his or her own destiny, excel and learn, and be recognized and rewarded for a job well done, creating a cycle of productivity, appreciation, and hard work.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Hawai`i Republican Party in convention at Lihue, Hawai`i, May 14, 2011, endorses and salutes the courage and contributions of small business to our general welfare.

Therefore, be it further resolved, that copies of this resolution be posted on the Hawai`i Republican Party website and distributed to Hawai`i elected officials and media for public dissemination.