

Resolution

No. 25-82

CONGRATULATING BLAKE ABERNATHY OF
KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI AND
TEATA MATAAFA GROVE, PITA TAKAFUA, AND
BRYSON ADRIC OF H.P. BALDWIN HIGH
SCHOOL FOR WINNING STATE TITLES AT THE
2025 HAWAI'I HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC
ASSOCIATION STATE WRESTLING
CHAMPIONSHIPS

WHEREAS, Blake Abernathy of Kamehameha Schools Maui and Teata Mataafa Grove, Pita Takafua, and Bryson Adric of H.P. Baldwin High School showcased exceptional skill and perseverance by winning State titles in their respective weight classes at the Hawai'i High School Athletic Association State Wrestling Championships, held February 21-22, 2025, at the Neal S. Blaisdell Arena in Honolulu, Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, these outstanding student-athletes earned the opportunity to represent Maui after securing victories at the Maui Interscholastic League tournament, held at King Kekaulike High School, February 15, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Blake Abernathy, a junior from Kamehameha Schools Maui, secured the State title in the Boys 138-pound weight class; and

WHEREAS, Teata Mataafa Grove, a junior from H.P. Baldwin High School, emerged victorious in the Girls 135-pound weight class for the second consecutive year; and

WHEREAS, Pita Takafua, a junior from H.P. Baldwin High School, displayed remarkable strength and determination to capture the State Championship in the Boys 285-pound weight class; and

WHEREAS, Bryson Adric, a senior from H.P. Baldwin High School, demonstrated exceptional consistency throughout his high school wrestling career, winning four consecutive MIL championships in the Boys 157-pound weight class and capping his final season with the 2025 State Championship title in the Boys 157-pound weight class; and

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WHEREAS, the exceptional achievements of these student-athletes were made possible through the unwavering support and guidance of their dedicated coaches—Mike Labuanan of Kamehameha Schools Maui and Bert Kamaka of H.P. Baldwin High School and—who have instilled in them the values of discipline, perseverance, and sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, the extraordinary performance of these outstanding student-athletes and their displays of dedication and spirit have brought great pride and honor to their families, their schools, and the people of the County of Maui; now, therefore,

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

1. That it congratulates Blake Abernathy of Kamehameha Schools Maui and Teata Mataafa Grove, Pita Takafua, and Bryson Adric of H.P. Baldwin High School for winning State titles at the 2025 HHSAA State Wrestling Champions; and
2. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to Blake Abernathy; Teata Mataafa Grove; Pita Takafua; Bryson Adric; Wrestling Coach Mike Labuanan, Athletic Director Jon Viela, and Lance Cagasan, Ke Po’o Māhele Luna, Kamehameha Schools Maui; Wrestling Coach Bert Kamaka, Athletic Director Wade Hondo, and Keoni Wilhelm, Principal, H.P. Baldwin High School; Joseph Balangitao, Jr., Executive Director, Maui Interscholastic League; Christopher Chun, Executive Director, Hawai’i High School Athletic Association; and the Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr., Mayor, County of Maui.

INTRODUCED BY:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alice L. Lee". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

ALICE L. LEE