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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING DEL MONTE AND THE CAMPBELL ESTATE TO ALLOW RESIDENTS TO CONTINUE TO RESIDE AT KUNIA CAMP AT LEAST UNTIL DECEMBER 2008, TO ALLOW THE RESIDENTS TIME TO FIND HOUSING SOLUTIONS OR AFFORDABLE ALTERNATIVE HOUSING.

1           WHEREAS, Kunia Camp (Camp), located in Kunia, Oahu, has  
2 been home to numerous Del Monte plantation workers and retirees  
3 for several decades; and  
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5           WHEREAS, the rent at the Camp has continued to be very  
6 affordable to residents, even with recent increases; and  
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8           WHEREAS, Del Monte's lease with the landowner of the Camp,  
9 the James Campbell Estate, expires in December 2008; and  
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11           WHEREAS, approximately 500 people live in the Camp, many of  
12 whom are Del Monte employees who will be terminated from  
13 employment, and the remainder are retirees; and  
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15           WHEREAS, at the end of the lease, the property must be  
16 restored to the same condition it was received, meaning that the  
17 Camp will have to be razed; and  
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19           WHEREAS, many of the residents of the Camp, particularly  
20 the retirees, cannot afford accommodations outside of the Camp;  
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23           WHEREAS, for this reason, the residents, together with  
24 elected officials, are searching for options, including the  
25 formation of the Kunia Camp Association (Association), to  
26 possibly assume the lease for the Camp property at least until  
27 2008, the expiration of the lease for Kunia lands; and  
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1           WHEREAS, the Legislature is also considering having the  
2 State assume ownership of the Camp land through various means  
3 and options; and  
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5           WHEREAS, the residents of the Camp are open to exploring  
6 any option that would allow them to remain at the camp until  
7 other affordable housing is found; now, therefore,  
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9           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
10 Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
11 of 2006, the Senate concurring, that this body hereby requests  
12 that Del Monte continue to operate the Camp until at least  
13 December 2008, or, in the alternative, offer financial  
14 assistance to aid residents of the Camp seeking housing  
15 solutions; and  
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17           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby requests the  
18 James Campbell Estate to allow residents to continue to reside  
19 at the Camp by entering into an agreement to lease parcels to  
20 the Association or an entity of the Association's choice until  
21 at least December 2008, or such time as the residents need to  
22 find housing solutions or affordable alternative housing; and  
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24           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Del Monte is requested to  
25 negotiate fairly with the International Longshoremen's &  
26 Warehousemen's Union (ILWU) and to consider providing benefit  
27 enhancements for severance and medical coverage to assist the  
28 employees in their transition; and  
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30           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that December 2008 should not be  
31 considered an absolute deadline as efforts to find long-term  
32 solutions may require more time; and  
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34           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
35 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Mayor of  
36 the City and County of Honolulu, City and County of Honolulu  
37 Councilmember of the 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Chairperson of the Wahiawa  
38 Neighborhood Board No. 26, President of the Association,  
39 Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the  
40 Trustees of the James Campbell Estate, General Manager of Del  
41 Monte, and President of ILWU of Oahu.

