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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REQUESTING LEAHI HOSPITAL TO DEVELOP A MASTER PLAN AND FINANCIAL  
FEASIBILITY REPORT FOR ITS EXISTING CAMPUS THAT WILL TAKE  
ADVANTAGE OF ITS UNIQUE LOCATION AND RELATIONSHIPS IN EAST  
HONOLULU.

1           WHEREAS, as Hawaii's population ages and its social,  
2 economic, and health conditions change, the need for more long-  
3 term care alternatives that are accessible, affordable, and  
4 comprehensive persists; and  
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6           WHEREAS, the existing long-term care infrastructure does  
7 not adequately support current needs, and with the aging of the  
8 State's "baby boomer" population, the need to establish  
9 additional long-term care resources is imperative; and  
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11           WHEREAS, the State is lagging behind in support systems  
12 that accommodate Hawaii's frail elders as geographic, social,  
13 economic, and cultural barriers leave a large number of elder  
14 and disabled persons without adequate support; and  
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16           WHEREAS, it is imperative that the State develop and find  
17 new ways to bring care to the frailest residents through direct  
18 care and support in innovative programs; and  
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20           WHEREAS, faced with a rapidly growing elder population in  
21 Hawaii, an acute shortage of nursing home beds, and the rising  
22 cost of long-term care, an infrastructure needs to be created  
23 that will facilitate an alternative community-based program that  
24 is comprehensive, prevents institutionalization, and contains  
25 long-term care costs; now, therefore,  
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27           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
28 Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
29 of 2006, that Leahi Hospital is requested to develop a master  
30 plan and financial feasibility report for its existing campus  
31 that will take advantage of its unique location and  
32 relationships in East Honolulu; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that  
2 the master plan facilitate Leahi's long-term vision as a  
3 geriatric center of excellence, incorporating other  
4 complementary services and medical training partnerships, and  
5 include:

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- 7 (1) Specific needs assessment for elderly care services in  
8 the community;
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- 10 (2) Market analysis to determine population size, need,  
11 and financial viability;
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- 13 (3) State of the art facility and campus design that will  
14 improve efficiency and quality of care;
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- 16 (4) Technical assistance from various elder care  
17 organizations to validate and support its vision;
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- 19 (5) A work plan to identify and establish collaborative  
20 relationships with other health care providers and  
21 health care systems in support of geriatric care; and  
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Leahi Hospital is requested to  
24 submit the proposed master plan and financial feasibility report  
25 to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the  
26 convening of the Regular Session of 2008; and  
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
29 Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Executive Officer of  
30 Leahi Hospital, the President of the Hawaii Health Systems  
31 Corporation, and the Director of Health.  
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