
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT
AUDIT OF THE MAYOR WRIGHT HOMES TENANTS' ASSOCIATION.

1 WHEREAS, Mayor Wright Homes (often referred to as "Mayor
2 Wright Housing") was the first post-World War II project by the
3 Hawaii Housing Authority, and was dedicated in 1953 and later
4 named after the late Mayor of Honolulu, George F. Wright, in
5 1958; and

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7 WHEREAS, facilities in Mayor Wright Homes have continuously
8 suffered from maintenance problems, property damage, broken
9 windows, sewage problems, trash problems, and other physical
10 upkeep problems; and

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12 WHEREAS, Mayor Wright Homes has also had a turbulent
13 history of hope and despair marked by social problems, crime,
14 outsider intervention, internal strength, shootings, and other
15 violence; and

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17 WHEREAS, the Mayor Wright Homes Tenants' Association was
18 formed to improve relations between residents and public housing
19 management; and

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21 WHEREAS, the members of Mayor Wright Homes Tenants'
22 Association are elected from and by the residents; and

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24 WHEREAS, the Mayor Wright Homes Tenants' Association has a
25 treasury of funds but no audit trail; and

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27 WHEREAS, the Mayor Wright Homes Tenants' Association
28 election for the 2006-2009 term generated significant protests
29 from residents due to alleged irregular procedures and improper
30 uses of election funds; and
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1 WHEREAS, residents of Mayor Wright Homes have observed that
2 Citizen Patrol timesheets do not match residents' observations
3 of the times that patrollers spend walking their beats; and
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5 WHEREAS, residents of Mayor Wright Homes have videotaped so
6 many pet leash and cleanup violations that the Pet Committee has
7 dissolved itself; and
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9 WHEREAS, recent Hawaii Public Housing Authority Annual
10 Plans do not address the viability and appropriateness of tenant
11 association operations or finances; now, therefore,
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13 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
14 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
15 Session of 2007, the Senate concurring, that the Auditor is
16 requested to conduct a financial and management audit of the
17 Mayor Wright Homes Tenants' Association; and
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
20 report any findings and recommendations to the Legislature
21 twenty days before the convening of the Regular Session of 2008;
22 and
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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
25 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, the
26 Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, and the
27 Executive Director of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.
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OFFERED BY: Kal Rhodes

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