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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO SEPARATE NANAKULI HIGH  
SCHOOL FROM NANAKULI INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

1 WHEREAS, Nanakuli High School and Nanakuli Intermediate  
2 School have shared the same facilities for over three decades;  
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5 WHEREAS, there were numerous well-intentioned and logical  
6 reasons for this consolidation, including enrollment rates,  
7 economies of scale, and cost; and  
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9 WHEREAS, Nanakuli High School students range in age from 14  
10 to 18 years old and Nanakuli Intermediate School students range  
11 in age from 11 to 14 years old; and  
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13 WHEREAS, the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center  
14 reports that the Waianae Coast, including Nanakuli, has  
15 extensive needs in areas of mental illness, family and domestic  
16 violence, substance abuse, and teenage pregnancies; and  
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18 WHEREAS, the Waianae Coast has the highest rate in the  
19 state of teenage mothers between the ages of 12 and 17; and  
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21 WHEREAS, according to Na Hulu Mamo Ohana Way, statistics  
22 also point to the Waianae Coast as having the most babies born  
23 addicted to drugs, the most mothers between the ages of 12 to 17  
24 who give birth to addicted babies, and the most mothers between  
25 the ages of 12 to 17 who are addicted to drugs; and  
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27 WHEREAS, according to the Star Bulletin, in 2006, 30 out of  
28 250 seventh graders and 60 out of 260 eighth graders failed to  
29 move up to the next grade; and  
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1 WHEREAS, fights at Nanakuli High School and Nanakuli  
2 Intermediate School have been publicized over the past several  
3 years, and have required police intervention; and  
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5 WHEREAS, although not publicized, situations of bullying  
6 and assault occur on and around the campus; and  
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8 WHEREAS, it is difficult for students to succeed  
9 academically when dealing with the pressures of bullying and  
10 intimidation and teen pregnancy; and  
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12 WHEREAS, part of the reason for the higher incidences of  
13 these issues may be the intermingling of the younger  
14 intermediate students with the older high school students; and  
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16 WHEREAS, health and educational professionals believe that  
17 younger intermediate students would have a better chance of  
18 growing and succeeding in a separate environment from high  
19 school students; now, therefore,  
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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
22 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
23 Session of 2007, the Senate concurring, that the department of  
24 education is requested to separate Nanakuli High School and  
25 Nanakuli Intermediate School; and  
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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that separation may include the  
28 possibility of using the same facilities, but reorganizing and  
29 reconfiguring curricula to accommodate separate use of  
30 facilities; and  
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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
33 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Board of Education,  
34 the Superintendent of Education, and the Governor.  
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