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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS TO ESTABLISH A HAWAIIAN HOMESTEAD COMMUNITY SELF-GOVERNANCE TASK FORCE.

WHEREAS, in 2001, the Legislature passed and the Governor 1 signed into law, Act 302, Session Laws of Hawaii 2001, to 2 3 promote increased self-governance by Hawaiian homestead community organizations over the affairs of their distinct 4 native communities on Hawaiian Home Lands; and 5 6 WHEREAS, Act 302, Session Laws of Hawaii 2001, is codified 7 under section 201.6 of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, 8 9 as amended, and is pending consent by the United States Congress; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Hawaiian homestead community organizations want to 12 begin the process of implementing section 201.6 of the Hawaiian 13 Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended; and 14 15 WHEREAS, the establishment of a Hawaiian Homestead 16 Community Self-Governance Task Force composed of members 17 representing the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, the State 18 Council of Hawaiian Homestead Associations, Hui Kako'o 'Aina 19 Ho'opulapula, and other appropriate Native Hawaiian beneficiary 20 organizations is needed to assist in moving this process 21 forward; and 22 23 WHEREAS, the purpose of the task force will be to review 24 the steps necessary for the State, subject to the consent of the 25 United States Congress, to delegate authorities relating to the 26 administration of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as 27 amended, to democratically-elected Hawaiian homestead community 28 self-governance organizations, pursuant to section 201.6 of the 29 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended; and 30 31 WHEREAS, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands has 32 allocated funding from the Native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund 33



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under section 213 of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as 1 amended, to support these self-governance activities and is 2 agreeable to using these funds to support the work of the task 3 4 force; now, therefore, 5 6 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 7 Twenty-Fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2007, the Senate concurring, that the Department of 8 Hawaiian Home Lands is requested to establish a Hawaiian 9 10 Homestead Community Self-Governance Task Force; and 11 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Task Force be composed of the following members of their respective designees: 13 14 15 (1)The Chairperson of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; 16 17 (2) 18 The Chairperson of the State Council of Hawaiian 19 Homestead Associations; 20 (3) One member designated by and representing each 21 Hawaiian homestead ahupua'a on Kauai, Oahu, Molokai, 22 23 Maui, Lanai, and Hawaii; 24 (4) 25 One member designated by and representing Hui Kako'o 'Aina Ho'opulapula; and 26 27 Representatives of other Native Hawaiian beneficiary (5) 28 29 organizations, as deemed appropriate; and 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Task Force is requested to 31 review the steps necessary for the State, subject to the consent 32 33 of the United States Congress, to delegate authorities relating 34 to the administration of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended, to democratically-elected Hawaiian homestead 35 community self-governance organizations, pursuant to section 36 201.6 of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended, 37 38 including the following: 39 40 (1)The governmental services that the Hawaiian homestead 41 community self-governance organization may be 42 empowered to perform for its homestead community; 43

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1 (2)The criteria that may be used to determine the boundaries and location of the Hawaiian homestead 2 3 community; 4 (3) 5 The criteria that may be used to determine whether a Hawaiian homestead community self-governance 6 organization is eligible for delegation of Hawaiian 7 8 Homes Commission administrative authority; 9 (4) The methods or procedures by which a Hawaiian 10 homestead community may establish a Hawaiian homestead 11 community self-governance organization that meets the 12 criteria for delegation of Hawaiian Homes Commission 13 administrative authority; 14 15 The contractual requirements necessary to ensure that (5) 16 any governmental service to be performed by a Hawaiian 17 homestead community self-governance organization by 18 contract with the Hawaii Homes Commission will be 19 performed at a level and quality comparable to the 20 services that would otherwise be provided by the 21 Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; 22 23 (6) The development of an ongoing process to implement the 24 delegation of Hawaiian Homes Commission administrative 25 authority; and 26 27 (7) Any other guidelines or other matters that would 28 facilitate implementation of section 201.6 of the 29 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended; and 30 31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Task Force is requested to 32 submit a written report of its findings and recommendations, 33 including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later 34 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session 35 2008; and 36 37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 38 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to Chairperson of the 39 40 Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, the Chairperson of the State

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Council of Hawaiian Homestead Associations, and the chairperson
of Hui Kako'o 'Aina Ho'opulapula.

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