HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO EXTEND ITS CURRENT LAND LEASE WITH LEAHI HOSPITAL TO FACILITATE THE EFFECTIVE PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A CAMPUS-WIDE MASTER PLAN FOR LONG-TERM HEALTH CARE SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that, with the aging of Hawaii's population and its changing social, economic, and health conditions, the need for more long-term care alternatives that are accessible, affordable, and comprehensive persists; and

WHEREAS, the existing long-term care infrastructure does not adequately support current needs, and with the aging of the State's baby boomer population, it is imperative to establish additional long-term care resources; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature believes that the State is lagging in support systems that accommodate Hawaii's frail elders. Geographic, social, economic, and cultural barriers leave a large number of elder and disabled persons without adequate support. It is imperative that the State facilitate and develop new ways to bring care to the frailest residents through direct care and support in innovative programs; and

WHEREAS, faced with a rapidly growing elder population in Hawaii, an acute shortage of nursing home beds, and the rising cost of long-term care, the Legislature seeks to create opportunities and an infrastructure that will facilitate alternative community-based programs that would be comprehensive, prevent institutionalization, and effectively contain long-term care costs; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2007, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature urges the University of Hawaii to extend its current land lease agreement, identified as Kaimuki Tract, block 49, Kapahulu, Honolulu, Hawaii as identified on Tax Map 3-2-31 (C.S.F. No.

or more to facilitate the effective planning, development, and implementation of a campus-wide master plan for long-term health care services; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the University of Hawaii, the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, and the Administrator of Leahi Hospital.

14,161), and other adjacent property located adjacent to Kilauea and Sunset Avenues, with Leahi Hospital for seventy-five years

OFFERED BY:

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