HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

EXTENDING SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED MALULANI PRIVATELY DEVELOPED SECOND HOSPITAL FOR MAUI COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the island of Oahu has at least nine major acute care full service hospitals and numerous other medical support facilities; and

WHEREAS, the island of Kauai, with a lesser population base than Maui, has three hospitals; and

WHEREAS, Maui is served by only one acute care full service hospital, Maui Memorial Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, due to the limitations of the Maui Memorial Medical Center, many Maui residents have to be med-evacuated to Oahu for a variety of medical needs, including but not limited to acute cardiac care and neonatal care; and

WHEREAS, a group of doctors and a major private investor proposed the development of a new \$212,000,000, one hundred fifty bed acute care full service Malulani Hospital in Kihei, Maui, including a state-of-the-art cardiac care facility; and

WHEREAS, the proposed new hospital has the overwhelming support of the Maui community, including Mayor Alan Arakawa and his administration, along with the full support of Governor Linda Lingle; and

WHEREAS, the State Health Planning and Development Agency denied the proposed hospital a required certificate of need in order to develop the new hospital; and

WHEREAS, the private backers of the proposed Malulani Hospital have filed a request for a reconsideration of the

denial of the certificate of need by a reconsideration committee; 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 State Health Planning and Development Agency reconsideration committee is urged to find and establish good cause to overrule the State Health Planning and Development Agency denial of the certificate of need required for the development of the proposed Malulani Hospital; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Director of Health, and Administrator of the State Health Planning and Development Agency, who is requested to transmit copies to members of the reconsideration committee.

OFFERED BY:

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