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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO TRANSFER THE OLD  
KEANAE SCHOOL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL  
RESOURCES.

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1           WHEREAS, Keanae is a small east Maui village inhabited by  
2 primarily native Hawaiians who grow taro in ancient *loi kalo*;  
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5           WHEREAS, the old Keanae school was the last one-room school  
6 in the State before closing its doors to its remaining students,  
7 who ranged from kindergarten to third grade, in the fall of  
8 2005; and  
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10          WHEREAS, for almost a century since the school opened, the  
11 school served not only as a class room but a community center  
12 and rallying place for the residents of Keanae; and  
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14          WHEREAS, Keanae school was added to the Hawaii register of  
15 historic places on June 2, 1992, and to the federal register of  
16 historic places on June 30, 2000; now, therefore,  
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18          BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
19 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
20 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Education  
21 is requested to transfer the old Keanae school and all  
22 improvements thereon to the Department of Land and Natural  
23 Resources; and  
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25          BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and  
26 Natural Resources is requested to meet with representatives of  
27 the Keanae community to develop plans for the future appropriate  
28 uses of Keanae school so that it may continue to serve the  
29 Keanae community; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education and  
 2 the Department of Land and Natural Resources are requested to  
 3 report on the program of the transfer of Keanae school to the  
 4 Department of Land and Natural Resources and the development of  
 5 plans for its future use, including findings, recommendations,  
 6 and any necessary proposed legislation, to the Legislature not  
 7 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular  
 8 Session of 2010; and

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 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 11 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
 12 Board of Education, the Superintendent of Education, and the  
 13 Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

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 16 *[Signature]*

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