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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CLASSIFY  
KA IWI SHORELINE AS A STATE WILDERNESS PRESERVE.

1           WHEREAS, one of the visions of the East Honolulu  
2 Sustainable Communities Plan is to preserve the Koko Head-  
3 Makapuu scenic district, the area known as Ka Iwi; and  
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5           WHEREAS, the rugged coastal lands of Ka Iwi are among  
6 Oahu's most unique and spectacular scenic resources, offering  
7 views of mauka and makai from many vantage points; and  
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9           WHEREAS, protection of the scenic value of this treasure  
10 has island-wide importance because of its attraction to both  
11 residents and visitors; and  
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13           WHEREAS, preserving one of Oahu's most popular visitor  
14 resources is critical to our economy and vital to attracting new  
15 and returning travelers to the State; and  
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17           WHEREAS, nowhere else on the island, with the exception of  
18 the Kaena coastline, as there elements of a natural environment  
19 on one large, contiguous area of undeveloped open space; and  
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21           WHEREAS, overuse, misuse, and potential urban encroachment,  
22 particularly in the Queen's Beach vicinity, are pressures that  
23 threaten the integrity of this coastal area; and  
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25           WHEREAS, the State Office of Planning intends to file a  
26 petition with the State Land Use Commission to reclassify the  
27 Kai Iwi shoreline from an urban to conservation district; and  
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29           WHEREAS, state law requires that conservation districts  
30 include areas necessary to preserve scenic and historic areas  
31 and provide wilderness preserves; and  
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1 WHEREAS, by moving to classify the Ka Iwi shoreline as a  
2 conservation district, or more expressly, a state wilderness  
3 preserve, the area would be protected from any development or  
4 construction; now, therefore,  
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6 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
7 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
8 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Land and  
9 Natural Resources is urged to preserve and protect the Ka Iwi  
10 shoreline by classifying the area as a state wilderness preserve  
11 in a conservation district; and  
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
14 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
15 Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Director of the Office  
16 of Planning, the Chairperson of the State Land Use Commission,  
17 and the Chairperson of the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board.  
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