
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE STATE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING'S
PETITION TO RECLASSIFY STATE-OWNED LAND ON THE KA IWI
SHORELINE FROM URBAN TO CONSERVATION, AND REQUESTING THE
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO NOT ISSUE ANY PERMITS
ALLOWING THE DEVELOPMENT ON SUCH LAND, PENDING THE FINAL
DISPOSITION OF THE PETITION.

1 WHEREAS, the Ka Iwi shoreline is the coastline on Oahu that
2 stretches for about five miles from Koko Head to Makapuu and
3 contains a variety of volcanic forms, cliffs, and beaches; and
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5 WHEREAS, the Ka Iwi shoreline includes such scenic and
6 geological wonders as Hanauma Bay, with its protected marine
7 life and coral formations, Koko Head, Koko Crater, Blow Hole,
8 Sandy Beach, Queen's Beach and Makapuu Point and lighthouse,
9 with their views of Makapuu Beach, Rabbit Island, and the
10 Windward Coast; and
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12 WHEREAS, a wide variety of recreational activities take
13 place along the Ka Iwi shoreline, including swimming,
14 snorkeling, diving, fishing, picnicking, hiking, and body
15 surfing; and
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17 WHEREAS, the varied volcanic landscape, coral formations,
18 reef life, and tidal pools in the area make it an educational
19 resource for organizations and schools conducting nature
20 studies; and
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22 WHEREAS, community groups and residents near the area have
23 long advocated the preservation of the Ka Iwi shoreline, and the
24 state has previously indicated its interest in preserving the
25 shoreline by developing, in 1996, a master plan for state-
26 controlled lands; and
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1 WHEREAS, the State Office of Planning and Permitting has
 2 filed a petition with the State Land Use Commission to
 3 reclassify from urban to conservation about 240 acres of state-
 4 owned land on the Ka Iwi shoreline, being a portion of TMK No.
 5 3-9-011:02; and

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 7 WHEREAS, the legislature finds that the reclassification of
 8 the state-owned land will help preserve the Ka Iwi shoreline and
 9 its natural scenic and recreational values for all Hawaii
 10 residents, visitors and future generations; now, therefore,

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 12 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 13 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
 14 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature supports
 15 the petition filed by the Office of Planning and Permitting to
 16 reclassify all state-owned land on the Ka Iwi shoreline from
 17 urban into the conservation districts; and

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 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pending the preparation,
 20 filing, and final disposition of the land use petition, the City
 21 of Honolulu is requested not to issue any land use, subdivision,
 22 building, or other permits that will allow the development of
 23 these lands for any purpose other than the continued use of the
 24 lands as open space; and

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 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 27 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Office of the
 28 Governor, the Department of Land and Natural Resources, the
 29 Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, members of the
 30 Honolulu City Council, and members of the Hawaii Kai
 31 Neighborhood Board.

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