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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT HOUSE AND SENATE WORK GROUP TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STATE/COUNTY ACTIONS TO COMPLEMENT DESIGNATION OF THE AHUPUAA BETWEEN KALIHI AND PUNAHOU STREETS, THE PALI LOOKOUT AND THE PACIFIC OCEAN AS THE HAWAII'I CAPITAL NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.

1 WHEREAS, National Heritage Areas allow residents,  
2 businesses, governments, and non-profit groups to collaborate to  
3 promote conservation, community revitalization, and economic  
4 development projects; and

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6 WHEREAS, there are currently forty designated National  
7 Heritage Areas throughout the United States; and

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9 WHEREAS, the proposed Hawaii Capital National Heritage Area  
10 provides an outstanding concentration of natural, cultural,  
11 historic, and scenic resources that should be preserved and  
12 recognized as Hawaii's first National Heritage Area, similarly  
13 to the federal legislation introduced by the 111th United States  
14 Congress on January 30, 2009, in S.B. No. 359, which establishes  
15 the proposed area as a Hawaii Capital National Heritage Area;  
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18 WHEREAS, designation as a National Heritage Area allows for  
19 use of federal funds to maintain, preserve, and protect an  
20 area's physical character and cultural legacy; and

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22 WHEREAS, potential designation of the Hawaii Capital  
23 National Heritage Area during Hawaii's fiftieth anniversary year  
24 requires the development of recommendations for accompanying  
25 State and county actions to assist in promoting conservation,  
26 community revitalization, and economic development within the  
27 area; now, therefore,

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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth  
30 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2009, the

1 House of Representatives concurring, that the President of the  
2 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives are  
3 requested to convene a joint working group comprised of members  
4 of the Hawaii State Senate, Hawaii State House of  
5 Representatives, Honolulu City Council, representatives of the  
6 Bishop Museum, Friends of Iolani Palace, Hawaii Capital Cultural  
7 Coalition, and other interested stakeholders to develop  
8 recommendations for 2010 legislation to complement the United  
9 States Congress' designation to preserve the Hawaii Capital  
10 Cultural District as a National Heritage Area; and

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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
13 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the  
14 Hawaii State Senate, Speaker of the Hawaii State House of  
15 Representatives, Chair of the Honolulu City Council, President  
16 of Bishop Museum, Executive Director of Friends of Iolani  
17 Palace, and President of the Coalition of Hawaii Capital  
18 Cultural Coalition Board of Directors.