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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE OF HAWAI`I TO OPEN UP THE PARKING LOT AT THE PREVIOUS QUEEN LILIOUKALANI SCHOOL, 3633 WAIALAE AVENUE HONOLULU, FROM 8 PM TO 6 AM TO SERVE AS NIGHTTIME PARKING FOR WORKING HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS.

1           WHEREAS the State of Hawai`i and its residents are  
2 suffering from a significant economic downturn; and,

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4           WHEREAS due to the current state of the economy there is an  
5 apparent lack of availability of affordable housing in the  
6 State; and,

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8           WHEREAS the foreclosures resulting from the housing  
9 collapse have further contributed to the growing population of  
10 homeless among working individuals; and,

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12           WHEREAS these individuals, while struggling to hold their  
13 lives together and keep their jobs, are faced with instability  
14 and the dangers of sleeping in their vehicles on the streets;  
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17           WHEREAS the State has a vast inventory of parking spaces  
18 and is asked to avail their parking lots from 8 pm to 6 am for  
19 the working homeless who reside in their vehicles; and,

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21           WHEREAS this will greatly benefit the working homeless by  
22 providing safety and access to services; and,

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24           WHEREAS a myriad of other States, Cities, Churches, and  
25 other organizations in the State of California, Oregon, and  
26 Texas, to name a few, have already adopted this practice with  
27 great success in helping these working individuals; and,

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29           WHEREAS the Country of Kauai is now launching this program;  
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1           WHEREAS, the previous Queen Lilioukalani School, 3633  
2 Waialae Avenue, Honolulu has been scheduled to be closed, and its  
3 highest and best use, for a temporary period of time, would be  
4 as a temporary homeless parking lot and safe haven; now,  
5 therefore,  
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7           BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
8 Twenty-Sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, 2011 Regular  
9 Session, urge the State of Hawai`i to open up the the previous  
10 Queen Lilioukalani School, 3633 Waialae Avenue, Honolulu, from 8  
11 p.m. to 6 a.m. to serve as nighttime parking for working  
12 homeless individuals;  
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15           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that rulemaking authority for this  
16 program should remain with the State of Hawaii; and  
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18           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the intention of this  
19 resolution is for a temporary solution, until adequate permanent  
20 affordable housing solutions are found; and  
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22           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the number of vehicles allowed  
23 in this parking lot be determined by the participating agency;  
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26           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that restrooms will be provided for  
27 by the participating agency, a non-profit organization or  
28 through a grant from a private business; and  
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30           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this  
31 Resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Neil Abercrombie,  
32 Governor of the State of Hawai`i, and the Director of the State  
33 of Hawai`i Department of Human Services, the Director of the  
34 State of Hawai`i Department of Education and the Chair and  
35 members of the Board of Education.  
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