
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO DESIGNATE A PORTION OF THE
WAIPIO PENINSULA SOUTH OF WAIPAHU DEPOT ROAD AS A STATE
PARK.

1 WHEREAS, parks and open recreational spaces positively
2 affect the health and vibrancy of a community; and
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4 WHEREAS, the people of Waipahu do not have a state park in
5 their own community and are thus deprived of the positive
6 benefits of having a place for their children to play, the
7 elderly to relax, and the entire community to enjoy and call
8 their own; and
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10 WHEREAS, the closest state park located outside of Waipahu
11 is in central Oahu and Kaena Point; and
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13 WHEREAS, in the Waipio peninsula south of Waipahu Depot
14 Road, there is an undisclosed amount of unused acreage owned by
15 the U.S. Navy, which could be developed into a beautiful state
16 park for the benefit of the people of Waipahu and other
17 communities around the state; and
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19 WHEREAS, these lands rightfully belong to the people of
20 Waipahu and the State of Hawaii; and
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22 WHEREAS, West Loch has been polluted with fuel and
23 discarded naval ships, with their concomitant rust and debris;
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26 WHEREAS, naval ships have destroyed coral ecosystems, which
27 has denied the community recreational access to Pearl Harbor and
28 the Waipahu Coastline; and



1 WHEREAS, the noise of jets has disturbed this bedroom
 2 community while increased traffic congestion has made commuting
 3 to downtown Honolulu a daily nightmare; and
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5 WHEREAS, a community park would help ameliorate this damage
 6 and compensate the Waipahu and Ewa community for the
 7 environmental harm that has been caused; now, therefore,
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9 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 10 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
 11 of 2011, that the U.S. Navy is urged to gift a minimum of one
 12 hundred acres of land south of Waipahu Depot Road on the Waipio
 13 peninsula to the people of Waipahu and to the State of Hawaii to
 14 be transformed into a state park for all to enjoy; and
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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 17 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States,
 18 Hawaii's Congressional delegation, Under-Secretary of the Navy,
 19 the Commander of the United States Pacific Command, the
 20 Commander of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, the Governor of the
 21 State of Hawaii, and the Mayor of the City and County of
 22 Honolulu.
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