
HOUSE RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND
HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO LOCATE LAND
SUITABLE TO CONSTRUCT A MOTORSPORTS CENTER ON THE ISLAND OF
OAHU.

1 WHEREAS, drag racing on the island of Oahu dates back to
2 the early 1950s; and
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4 WHEREAS, Hawaii Raceway Park opened for operation in
5 Campbell Industrial Park in 1962; and
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7 WHEREAS, Hawaii Raceway Park provided a safe and supervised
8 location for people to operate a variety of vehicles, including
9 drag racing cars, motorcycles, go karts, and street cars; and
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11 WHEREAS, Hawaii Raceway Park was a gathering place for
12 local racers, many of whom first attended the park as children
13 with their families and later became participants; and
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15 WHEREAS, Hawaii Raceway Park closed in 2006; and
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17 WHEREAS, small businesses that operated at Hawaii Raceway
18 Park have shut down, and others that derived a portion of their
19 business from racers have cut back or shut down; and
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21 WHEREAS, a motorsport center supporting all types of racing
22 including but not limited to dirt track and drag racing would be
23 ideal on the island of Oahu; now, therefore,
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
26 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
27 of 2011, that the Department of Land and Natural Resources and
28 Hawaii Community Development Authority are encouraged to
29 collaborate in locating land suitable to construct a motorsports
30 center on the island of Oahu; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and
2 Natural Resources and Hawaii Community Development Authority
3 consider:
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5 (1) Lot 9 on the island of Oahu as a potential site for
6 the motorsports center; and
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8 (2) Ways in which a motorsports center may be a source of
9 economic development for the State;
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State shall not be
14 responsible for the planning, designing, or construction of a
15 motorsports center; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
18 Resolution be transmitted to the Executive Director of the
19 Hawaii Community Development Authority, and the Chairperson of
20 the Board of Land and Natural Resources.
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