
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AIRPORTS DIVISION,
TO CONTINUE ITS SUPPORT OF THE KONA COMPOSITE SQUADRON OF
THE CIVIL AIR PATROL BY RESTORING ITS ORIGINAL LAND AREA,
ENLARGING THE PRESENT BUILDING FACILITY TO ITS ORIGINAL
DESIGN SIZE, AND ASSISTING WITH THE ACQUISITION OF
EQUIPMENT.

1 WHEREAS, the Kona Composite Squadron of the Civil Air
2 Patrol has been active in West Hawai'i for more than thirty
3 years, with a continuous membership of more than fifty cadet and
4 adult members; and

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6 WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i approved a building facility
7 and land that was originally meant to accommodate classes,
8 meetings, search and rescue equipment, internet equipment, and
9 storage area for the Kona Composite Squadron of the Civil Air
10 Patrol, but only a portion of the planned facility and land have
11 come to fruition; and

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13 WHEREAS, the Kona Composite Squadron of the Civil Air
14 Patrol, with adult assistance, has been able to acquire and
15 utilize airplanes for training and for emergencies; and

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17 WHEREAS, during the devastating earthquake of 2006, the
18 Kona Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol demonstrated
19 that it was able to be a "first responder" and saved numerous
20 lives by taking to the air and reporting damaged roads, damaged
21 bridges, and impassable cracks in highways and providing the
22 information to the Hawai'i County Civil Defense which, in turn,
23 alerted the public to the dangers; and

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25 WHEREAS, during the past thirty years, numerous Kona and
26 Kohala high school cadets have been accepted to the United
27 States Air Force Academy and have completed their required five
28 years of active duty, while others have excelled at other
29 schools of higher education, demonstrating superior conduct,
30 aptitude, attitude, drill skills, and self-discipline; now,
31 therefore,



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2 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
3 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
4 of 2011, that the Department of Transportation, Airports
5 Division, is requested to continue its support of the Kona
6 Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol by restoring its
7 original land area and enlarging the present building facility
8 to its original design size, as approved by prior legislation,
9 including a paved parking area and a paved area for the cadets
10 to practice their drill and color guard activities; and

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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
13 Transportation, Airports Division, is requested to assist the
14 Kona Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol in acquiring up-
15 to-date equipment that can be utilized especially in emergencies
16 and that does not require direct electricity, such as a solar
17 back-up system; and

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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
20 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; the Mayor of Hawaii
21 County; the Director of Transportation; the Department of
22 Defense; the Hawaii County Civil Defense Agency; the Senate
23 President; and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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