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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE PUBLIC LAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAII, TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO DEVELOP AND IMPROVE THE EAST HAWAII AREA OF HAWAII COUNTY.

1 WHEREAS, the area of Hawaii County known as East Hawaii is  
2 in need of renewal, renovation, and improvement to improve the  
3 local economy, including the tourism industry; and  
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5 WHEREAS, East Hawaii includes Banyan Drive, where  
6 approximately eighty-five per cent of the overnight  
7 accommodations for visitors in East Hawaii are located; and  
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9 WHEREAS, Banyan Drive hotel properties, once the jewels in  
10 Hawaii County's visitor industry, have deteriorated  
11 significantly and fallen into disrepair; and  
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13 WHEREAS, because the leases for the Banyan Drive properties  
14 will expire in 2015, Banyan Drive lessees are reluctant to  
15 renovate and make much needed improvements and investments; and  
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17 WHEREAS, the Kanoelehua Industrial Area Association, also  
18 located in East Hawaii and also subject to a lease that expires  
19 in 2015, is in need of similar improvement to alleviate the  
20 deteriorating conditions of business properties in the area; and  
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22 WHEREAS, the problems associated with the upcoming lease  
23 expiration provide little incentive for lessees to make  
24 investments to improve infrastructure and existing properties,  
25 resulting in a negative impact for tourism and business  
26 properties in East Hawaii; and  
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28 WHEREAS, efforts to reinvigorate the Banyan Drive and  
29 Kanoelehua Industrial Area Association business properties by  
30 renovating the hotels, business properties, and infrastructure



1 would increase construction jobs, enhance available rooms for  
2 tourism, and provide additional employment opportunities for the  
3 local East Hawaii economy; now, therefore,  
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
6 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
7 of 2012, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Land and  
8 Natural Resources and the Public Land Development Corporation  
9 are requested to study the establishment of a public-private  
10 partnership to develop and improve the leasehold lands of East  
11 Hawaii that are subject to the expiration of leases in 2015,  
12 which include existing properties on Banyan Drive and in the  
13 Kanoelehua Industrial Area; and  
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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Hawaii is  
16 requested to provide necessary assistance to the Department of  
17 Land and Natural Resources and the Public Land Development  
18 Corporation on issues relating to establishing a public-private  
19 partnership to develop and improve East Hawaii leasehold lands;  
20 and  
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Public Land Development  
23 Corporation is requested to submit a report to the Legislature  
24 not later than twenty days prior to the convening of the 2013  
25 Regular Session on its findings, recommendations, and any  
26 proposed legislation; and  
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
29 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
30 Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Executive Director of  
31 the Public Land Development Corporation, and the Mayor of the  
32 County of Hawaii.  
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