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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

CONVENING A MANOA ROAD TASK FORCE TO DISCUSS OWNERSHIP,
MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIR RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PORTION OF
MANOA ROAD LEADING UP TO THE LYON ARBORETUM.

1 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii Lyon Arboretum and
2 Botanical Garden is the only university botanical garden located
3 in a tropical rainforest in the United States, as well as the
4 only easily accessible tropical rainforest on the island of
5 Oahu; and
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7 WHEREAS, the arboretum consists of almost two hundred acres
8 at the top of the Manoa watershed with a set of small cottages
9 and greenhouses used for research and community education about
10 plants and the natural environments of Hawaii; and
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12 WHEREAS, the arboretum hosts approximately thirty-four
13 thousand visitors each year who participate in classes, research
14 projects, or other community activities or simply explore the
15 grounds to enjoy the beautiful displays; and
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17 WHEREAS, several community organizations use the arboretum
18 as their base of operations, including Hui Hana, Garden Club of
19 Honolulu, and the Arboretum Association; and
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21 WHEREAS, Manoa Road is the only road that provides access
22 to the arboretum; and
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24 WHEREAS, it is unclear which entity owns the portion of
25 Manoa Road leading to the entry to Lyon Arboretum and,
26 therefore, which entity is responsible for road maintenance and
27 repair; and
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29 WHEREAS, the most efficient and effective way to determine
30 which entity is responsible for that portion of Manoa Road is to



1 convene a task force of stakeholders to reach consensus on the
2 issue; now, therefore,

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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth
5 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2012, the
6 House of Representatives concurring, that the Chairperson of the
7 Board of Land and Natural Resources is requested to convene a
8 Manoa Road Task Force to examine and make a recommendation to
9 resolve the ownership, maintenance, and repair responsibility of
10 the portion of Manoa Road leading up to the Lyon Arboretum; and

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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED it is requested that the following
13 members or their designees serve on the task force:

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- 15 (1) The Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural
- 16 Resources, who is requested to serve as chairperson of
- 17 the task force;
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- 19 (2) The President of the University of Hawaii;
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- 21 (3) Director of Transportation;
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- 23 (4) Director of Transportation Services of the City and
- 24 County of Honolulu;
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- 26 (5) State legislators from the Senate and the House of
- 27 Representatives who represent the area that includes
- 28 Lyon Arboretum;
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- 30 (6) The Honolulu City Council member who represents the
- 31 Fifth District of the City Council;
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- 33 (7) Chairperson of the Board of Paradise Park, Inc.; and
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- 35 (8) A resident who resides in close proximity to the Lyon
- 36 Arboretum, to be appointed by the Honolulu City
- 37 Council member who represents the Fifth District of
- 38 the City Council; and
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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to
41 report its findings and recommendations, including proposed
42 legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior
43 to the convening of the Regular Session of 2013; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
3 Board of Land and Natural Resources; President of the University
4 of Hawaii; Chairperson of the Board of Regents of the University
5 of Hawaii; Director of Transportation; Director of
6 Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu;
7 President of the Senate; Speaker of the House of
8 Representatives; Chairperson of the Honolulu City Council; and
9 the Chairperson of the Board of Paradise Park, Inc.

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