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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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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  
31 convene a task force of stakeholders to reach consensus on the  
32 issue; now, therefore,  
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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth  
2 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2012,  
3 that the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources  
4 is requested to convene a Manoa Road Task Force to examine and  
5 make a recommendation to resolve the ownership, maintenance, and  
6 repair responsibility of the portion of Manoa Road leading up to  
7 the Lyon Arboretum; and

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

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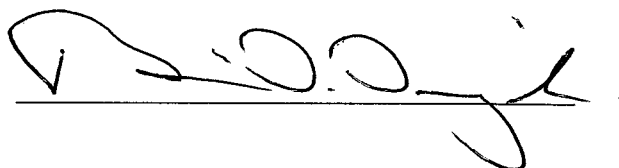
42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
43 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of  
44 Land and Natural Resources; President of the University of



1 Hawaii; Chairperson of the Board of Regents of the University of  
2 Hawaii; Director of Transportation; Director of Transportation  
3 Services of the City and County of Honolulu; President of the  
4 Senate; Speaker of the House of Representatives; Chairperson of  
5 the Honolulu City Council; and the Chairperson of the Board of  
6 Paradise Park, Inc.

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OFFERED BY:

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