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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE, CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, AND CASTLE & COOKE HOMES HAWAII, INC., TO ENTER INTO A LAND EXCHANGE AGREEMENT.

1 WHEREAS, article IX, Section 6, of the state constitution 2 states that the State and its political subdivisions, as 3 provided by general law, shall plan and manage the growth of the 4 population to protect and preserve the public health and 5 welfare; and

7 WHEREAS, article XI, Section 4, of the state constitution 8 states that the State shall have the power to acquire interests 9 in real property to control future growth, development, and land 10 use within the State; the exercise of such power is deemed to be 11 for a public use and purpose; and

WHEREAS, section 171-50(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, allows public land to be exchanged for private land for public purposes, including but not limited to: (1) consolidation of holdings of public lands; (2) straightening of boundaries of public lands; (3) acquisition of adequate access for landlocked public lands which have development potential; or (4) acquisition of lands suitable for residential use; and

21 WHEREAS, the Department of Business, Economic Development, 22 and Tourism projects that the population of the State of Hawaii 23 in the year 2035 will be 1,657,500 with 1,071,200 residing in 24 the City and County of Honolulu; and 25

26 WHEREAS, Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii, Inc. ("Castle & 27 Cooke") and the State both own parcels of land in West Oahu; and 28 29 WHEREAS, Castle & Cooke is in the process of preparing a 30 community master plan to develop 3,500 homes on 576 acres of

- 31 land; and
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WHEREAS, critical infrastructure such as potable water 1 2 systems, wastewater systems, and detention and retention drainage systems would need to be constructed for Castle & 3 4 Cooke's community master plan; and 5 WHEREAS, the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation 6 7 has started planning and design for twenty-one rail stations; 8 and 9 10 WHEREAS, the Honolulu Rail Transit project has started construction in the West Oahu area, and medium and higher-11 density areas are sited along the proposed rail transit 12 corridor; and 13 14 15 WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu can assist Castle 16 & Cooke by providing infrastructure financing and waivers relating to county zoning and permitting processes, and the 17 State can assist Castle & Cooke by waiving certain fees to 18 offset any differences in value between parcels owned by the 19 State in West Oahu and parcels owned by Castle & Cooke in West 20 21 Oahu; now, therefore, 22 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 23 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular 24 25 Session of 2013, the Senate concurring, that the State, City and County of Honolulu, and Castle & Cooke are urged to enter into 26 27 an agreement involving the exchange of a joint package of parcels and incentives by the State and City and County of 28 29 Honolulu for parcels owned by Castle & Cooke; and 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 31 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of 32 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Chairperson of the 33 Hawaiian Homes Commission; Chairperson of the Board of Land and 34 35 Natural Resources; Director of Transportation; Chairperson of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii; President of 36 the University of Hawaii System; Mayor of the City and County of 37 Honolulu; Honolulu City Council; and the President of Castle & 38 Cooke Homes Hawaii, Inc. 39 40 41

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