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In consideration of SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 103 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS PURSUANT TO SECTION 171-53, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, RELATING TO RECLAMATION AND DISPOSITION OF SUBMERGED OR RECLAIMED PUBLIC LAND.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 103 requests the authorization to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering 110 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as tax map key: (1) 6-1-003:024-0001 seaward, at Kawailoa, Waialua, Oahu for maintenance and repair of existing seawall constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this concurrent resolution.

The owners of the abutting property, Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Gianetti, were in the process of obtaining a shoreline certification. During the survey process, portion of the seawall was found encroaching on State lands located makai of the shoreline and therefore considered as submerged lands. As required by Section 171-53, HRS, the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) may lease submerged lands "with the prior approval of the Governor and the prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution". At its meeting on January 11, 2013, under agenda item D-13, the Board approved the issuance of a new term, non-exclusive easement for seawall purposes.

The Lessee is required pay the State the fair market value of the easement as consideration for the use of public lands. The amount of consideration is to be determined by independent appraisal.

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