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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE KAHO'OLAWA ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION TO PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ITS KIHEI PROPERTY TO PROVIDE A SENSE OF PLACE THAT REFLECTS THE CULTURE, HISTORY, AND TRADITION OF NATIVE HAWAIIANS.

1 WHEREAS, The Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission (the
2 "Commission") controls an 8.261-acre property, identified as Tax
3 Map Key numbers (2)3-9-004: por. 001 and 61, situated on South
4 Kihei Road between the Kihei Small Boat Ramp and the Kihei
5 Surfside condominium; and
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7 WHEREAS, the subject property is currently occupied by the
8 Commission's boathouse, which shelters the Commission's vessel
9 Hākilo, and includes a gravel and concrete access driveway that
10 connects the boathouse with the boat ramp parking lot; and
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12 WHEREAS, in 2000, the Commission prepared an environmental
13 assessment to evaluate the potential impacts of the Commission's
14 long-term plan for the subject property, including an office and
15 information center, boathouse and storage facility, and native
16 Hawaiian plant nursery, and a Finding of No Significant Impact
17 was published in May 2000, allowing the boathouse project to
18 proceed; and
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20 WHEREAS, in February 2002, Governor Linda Lingle signed
21 Executive Order No. 3963, which set aside the subject property
22 to the control and management of the Commission to be used for
23 the same uses contemplated in the 2000 environmental assessment;
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26 WHEREAS, in June 2002, the Commission received a special
27 management area minor permit to construct the boathouse and
28 access road; and
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30 WHEREAS, the Commission's long-term plan for the subject
31 property is for a two-story office and information center to



1 replace its current leased space in the Wailuku industrial area;
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4 WHEREAS, the long-term plan will require a special
5 management area major permit, in addition to a change in zoning
6 and community plan amendment to establish public/quasi-public
7 land use designations for the presently park-zoned parcel; and

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9 WHEREAS, the two-story office and information center
10 building will have a total of approximately 14,400 square feet
11 of interior space, with a footprint of approximately 8,100
12 square feet, with room for a conference room, break room,
13 computer/server room, and restrooms, and approximately 5,250
14 square feet will be devoted to the Commission's historical and
15 interactive exhibit about Kaho'olawe; and

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17 WHEREAS, the office and information center will also house
18 an auditorium and classroom to be available for use by community
19 groups, in addition to their uses in support of the Commission's
20 programs and operations; and

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22 WHEREAS, there will also be an exhibit and visitor center
23 to be open to the public, particularly to school and community
24 groups, to provide information on Kaho'olawe's history and the
25 Commission's restoration and management activities, an outdoor
26 performance/gathering area, and a plant nursery and interactive
27 exhibit; and

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29 WHEREAS, the proposed new office and information center
30 should have a sense of place to reflect the culture, history,
31 and tradition of Native Hawaiians, which the Commission is
32 mandated to do for the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve pursuant to
33 section 6K-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which provides in
34 pertinent part:

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36 "The Kaho'olawe island reserve shall be used solely and
37 exclusively for the following purposes:

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39 (1) Preservation and practice of all rights customarily
40 and traditionally exercised by native Hawaiians for
41 cultural, spiritual, and subsistence purposes . . .";
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1 WHEREAS, the subject area in Kihei is presently lacking in
2 Hawaiian culture, history, and tradition, as Kihei has become a
3 visitor industry mecca; now, therefore,
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh
6 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2014, the
7 House of Representatives concurring, that the Kaho'olawe Island
8 Reserve Commission is requested to plan for the development of
9 its Kihei property to provide a sense of place that reflects the
10 culture, history, and tradition of Native Hawaiians; and
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
13 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
14 Board of Land and Natural Resources and the Chairperson of the
15 Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission.
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