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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO UPDATE THE KALAELOA
AIRPORT MASTER PLAN.

1 WHEREAS, Kalaeloa Airport, formerly Barbers Point Naval Air
2 Station, has been owned and operated by the Oahu District of the
3 State Airports System since July 1999, as a general aviation
4 reliever airport for Honolulu International Airport; and
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6 WHEREAS, users of the airport include the United States
7 Coast Guard, Hawaii Community College Flight Program, Hawaii
8 National Guard, and the general aviation community; and
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10 WHEREAS, in 2007, there were 123,184 air operations based
11 out of Kalaeloa Airport; and
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13 WHEREAS, Kalaeloa Airport is a major state asset because it
14 provides a launch site for United States Coast Guard Search and
15 Rescue Operations, a training base for general aviation, an
16 emergency response platform, an alternate landing site for
17 airlines and the military, and an extension of the capacity of
18 Honolulu International Airport; and
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20 WHEREAS, Kalaeloa Airport allows the Hawaii National Guard
21 to airlift soldiers and equipment directly from their Kalaeloa
22 facilities, while also acting as a disaster relief site for
23 civil defense agencies; and
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25 WHEREAS, four of the buildings on Kalaeloa Airport are
26 eligible to be listed on the National Register of Historic
27 Places because of their distinctive architecture; and
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29 WHEREAS, a master plan for the Kalaeloa Airport was adopted
30 soon after the State of Hawaii took control of the airport but
31 has not been updated for nearly eighteen years; and
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33 WHEREAS, the future uses of the airport with respect to the
34 growing development and business investments of the Ko Olina,
35 Ewa Beach, Kapolei, and West Oahu communities need to be
36 planned; now, therefore,



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 2 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
 3 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017,
 4 that the Department of Transportation is urged to conduct an
 5 update to the Kalaeloa Airport Master Plan to include strategic
 6 plans to promote job growth, economic development, increased
 7 commercial flight use, environmental sustainability, and
 8 private-public partnerships for mixed-use developments and
 9 facility upgrades to the airport; and

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 11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
 12 Transportation is requested to develop and adopt any update to
 13 the master plan with the appropriate community input to include
 14 residents, businesses, and land owners in the West Oahu and
 15 Leeward Oahu regions; and government agencies such as the United
 16 States Navy, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Department of Hawaiian
 17 Home Lands, University of Hawaii System, Hawaii Community
 18 Development Authority, Department of Land and Natural Resources,
 19 and City and County of Honolulu; and

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 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
 22 Transportation submit the updated master plan to the Legislature
 23 upon completion; and

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 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 26 Resolution be transmitted to the Commander of the Navy Region
 27 Hawaii, Director of the Western-Pacific Region Airports Division
 28 of the Federal Aviation Administration, Governor, Director of
 29 Transportation, Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural
 30 Resources, Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission, Chief
 31 Executive Officer of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, President
 32 of the University of Hawaii System, Chairperson of the Hawaii
 33 Community Development Authority, and Mayor of the City and
 34 County of Honolulu.

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