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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND CITY AND COUNTY
OF HONOLULU TO IMPLEMENT SAFEGUARDS AT HAUULA BEACH PARK TO
PROTECT HAWAIIAN MONK SEALS.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaiian monk seals are an endangered species found
2 only in the Hawaiian Islands; and

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4 WHEREAS, a Hawaiian monk seal known as "Honey Girl" is a
5 regular visitor of the Hauula Beach Park and frequents a
6 particular section of the beach park adjacent to the
7 intersection of Kamehameha Highway and Kakuna Road; and

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9 WHEREAS, members of the nearby community have expressed
10 concerns for the safety of Honey Girl and other Hawaiian monk
11 seals visiting Hauula Beach Park; and

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13 WHEREAS, seals seeking warmth and shelter may tend to sleep
14 under parked vehicles in the area; and

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16 WHEREAS, many visitors arrive at Hauula Beach Park on tour
17 buses and take pictures of or with the seals at an unsafe
18 distance, creating the risk of injury to both the seals and the
19 tourists; and

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21 WHEREAS, safeguards are necessary at Hauula Beach Park to
22 protect Honey Girl and other Hawaiian monk seals visiting Hauula
23 Beach Park; now, therefore,

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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
26 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018,
27 that the Department of Transportation and the City and County of
28 Honolulu are requested to implement safeguards at Hauula Beach
29 Park to protect Hawaiian monk seals; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 2 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation, the
 3 Mayor of Honolulu, and the Chairperson of the Honolulu City
 4 Council.
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