
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO
ESTABLISH THE LANIAKEA BEACH MARINE LIFE CONSERVATION
DISTRICT.

1 WHEREAS, Laniakea Beach, or Turtle Beach, on Oahu's North
2 Shore, is home to many Hawaiian honu (green sea turtles); and
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4 WHEREAS, the honu are protected by the federal Endangered
5 Species Act and Hawaii state law; and
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7 WHEREAS, Oahu's nearshore waters are also home to more than
8 four hundred species of fish and other marine life; and
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10 WHEREAS, some ocean activities, such as swimming,
11 parasailing, water sledding, high-speed boating, and commercial
12 boating, threaten honu, fish, and other sea life; and
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14 WHEREAS, Marine Life Conservation Districts, established by
15 the Department of Land and Natural Resources, are designed to
16 conserve and protect marine environments and resources; and
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18 WHEREAS, as part of the 30x30 Marine Initiative, the
19 Division of Aquatic Resources of the Department of Land and
20 Natural Resources plans to develop a network of Marine
21 Management Areas to better protect the State's nearshore marine
22 resources while ensuring the continuation of sustainable fishing
23 practices; now, therefore,
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
26 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
27 2019, that the Department of Land and Natural Resources is
28 requested to establish the Laniakea Beach Marine Life
29 Conservation District; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature recommends that
2 the conservation district extend seaward for one mile from the
3 shoreline of Laniakea Beach on the north shore of Oahu, at TMK
4 1-6-1-010-017-000, into state marine waters; and
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that rules adopted for the Laniakea
7 Beach Marine Life Conservation District shall include
8 protections for the practice of Native Hawaiian rights that are
9 customarily and traditionally exercised for subsistence,
10 cultural, and religious purposes pursuant to Article XII,
11 section 7, of the Hawaii State Constitution; and
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
14 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
15 Land and Natural Resources.

