
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE COUNTY OF HAWAII TO CREATE ALTERNATE ROUTES TO
PROPERTIES IN THE PUNA DISTRICT THAT WERE AFFECTED, BUT NOT
DESTROYED, BY THE 2018 KILAUEA ERUPTION.

1 WHEREAS, in May 2018, the worst volcanic disaster in
2 Hawaii's history destroyed approximately seven hundred homes in
3 the Puna district; and
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5 WHEREAS, the already minimal road system in the Puna
6 district was significantly impacted by the closure of major
7 thoroughfares due to lava flow; and
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9 WHEREAS, prior to the 2018 eruption, the Puna district had
10 a thriving papaya industry; and
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12 WHEREAS, although some of the papaya farms in the Puna
13 district are still intact, the roads to these farms are now long
14 and arduous, causing significant decreases in the papaya farms'
15 revenues due to work delays and increased transportation costs;
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18 WHEREAS, those residents of the Puna district whose homes
19 were not destroyed by the eruption are similarly burdened by the
20 stresses and costs incurred as a result of having to travel
21 extensive distances to reach their respective properties; now,
22 therefore,
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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
25 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
26 2019, that the County of Hawaii is urged to create alternate
27 routes to properties in the Puna district that were affected,
28 but not destroyed, by the 2018 Kilauea eruption; and
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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
31 Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of Hawaii County, the
32 Chairperson of the Hawaii County Council, and the Division Chief

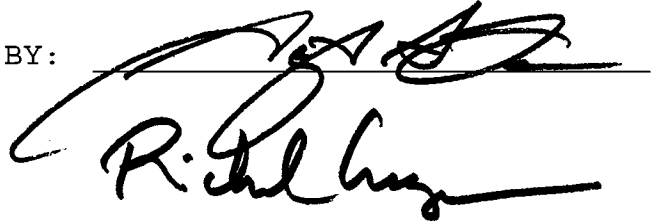


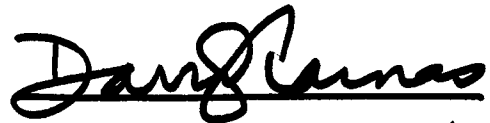
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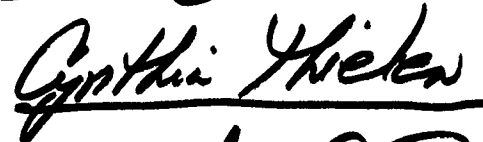
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2 Department of Public Works.

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