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GLEN I. TAKAHASHI
CITY CLERK

February 19, 2020

The Honorable Ron E. Kouchi
Hawaii State Senate President
State Capitol, Room 409
415 S. Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi:

This is to inform you that the following Resolutions were adopted by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu at its meeting on Wednesday, February 19, 2020. As directed by the Resolutions, copies are attached for your information:

Resolution 20-16, CD1

Urging the Hawaii State Legislature to request an audit of harbor inspection procedures.

Resolution 20-30, CD1

Urging the Hawaii State Legislature to seriously consider the feasibility of appropriating funds to acquire the Honolulu Federal Detention Center to address prison overcrowding on the island of Oahu.

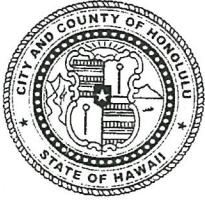
Sincerely,

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GLEN I. TAKAHASHI
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The Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Hawaii State Speaker of the House
State Capitol, Room 431
415 S. Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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REPRESENTATIVES

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CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. 20-16, CD1

RESOLUTION

URGING THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE TO REQUEST AN AUDIT OF HARBOR INSPECTION PROCEDURES.

WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii ("State") harbors system consists of 10 commercial harbors located at Honolulu, Kalaeloa Barbers Point, Hilo, Kawaihae, Kahului, Hana, Kaunakakai, Kaunapali, Nawiliwili, and Port Allen, all of which are under the authority of the State Department of Transportation, Harbors Division; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 99 percent of the commercial goods imported to Hawaii come through the State's commercial harbors, amounting to more than 200,000 shipping containers annually; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of these shipping containers are not inspected and it is believed that the majority of illegal goods and materials in Hawaii, such as illicit fireworks, drugs, and firearms, arrive via shipping containers; and

WHEREAS, the City Council ("Council") agrees that the relatively infrequent inspection of shipping containers and the continued importation of illegal goods and materials is a serious problem; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that an audit will help to outline the current inspection procedures for both out-of-state and interisland arrivals, identify any shortcomings with the current procedures, and determine necessary procedural changes that will help to reduce the volume of illegal goods being imported into the State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it urges the Legislature to request an audit of harbors inspection procedures; and



CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. 20-16, CD1

RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor of the State of Hawaii, the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawaii, the President of the State Senate, the Speaker of the State House of Representatives, the Chair of the State Senate Committee on Judiciary, the Chair of the State Senate Committee on Transportation, the Chair of the State House Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs, the Chair of the State House Committee on Judiciary, the Chair of the State House Committee on Transportation, the State Auditor, and the Deputy Director of the State Department of Transportation for Harbors.

INTRODUCED BY:

KyMBERly Pine

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

January 22, 2020
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII
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RESOLUTION 20-16, CD1

Introduced: 01/22/20 By: KYMBERLY PINE


Committee: EXECUTIVE MATTER
AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Title: RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE TO REQUEST AN AUDIT OF HARBOR INSPECTION PROCEDURES.

Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

02/04/20	EXECUTIVE MATTERS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS	CR-47 - RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED IN CD1 FORM. 8 AYES: ANDERSON, ELEFANTE, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN, MENOR, PINE, TSUNEYOSHI, WATERS. 1 EXCUSED: FUKUNAGA.
02/19/20	COUNCIL	CR-47 AND RESOLUTION 20-16, CD1 AS AMENDED WERE ADOPTED. 9 AYES: ANDERSON, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN, MENOR, PINE, TSUNEYOSHI, WATERS.

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.



GLENN TAKAHASHI, CITY CLERK



IKAIKA ANDERSON, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER



CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. 20-30, CD1

RESOLUTION

URGING THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE TO SERIOUSLY CONSIDER THE FEASIBILITY OF APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ACQUIRE THE HONOLULU FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER TO ADDRESS PRISON OVERCROWDING ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU.

WHEREAS, the Oahu Community Correctional Center ("OCCC") is the largest jail facility in the State of Hawaii ("State") and is situated on 16 acres of State land in the Kalihi neighborhood of the City and County of Honolulu ("City"); and

WHEREAS, built in 1916 at what was then the undeveloped edge of urban Honolulu, OCCC, formerly Oahu Prison, is now adjacent to residential homes, businesses, schools, churches, and parks; and

WHEREAS, OCCC, which houses pre-trial detainees as well as reintegration programming services for male sentenced felons, was originally designed to hold 628 detainees; and

WHEREAS, OCCC has expanded over the years to hold 954 detainees, but consistently operates over-capacity, and now houses approximately 1,070 detainees on any given day; and

WHEREAS, the State has struggled for years to find additional capacity for its overcrowded jails and prisons across all four counties, which were designed to hold a combined total of 2,491 inmates, but currently hold approximately 5,161 inmates; and

WHEREAS, refurbishment and renovation of state prisons and jails to meet current demand for adequate space and services would cost an estimated \$1.5 to \$2 billion; and

WHEREAS, the State is actively currently considering moving OCCC to a 25-acre site in Halawa, where the State's animal quarantine station is located, at a cost of \$525 million; and

WHEREAS, the State is also exploring the possibility of purchasing the Honolulu Federal Detention Center ("FDC"), a federal Bureau of Prisons facility that opened in 2001 at an approximate cost of \$170 million; and

WHEREAS, the FDC, which has the potential capacity of 1,200 inmates, only houses an estimated 290 male and female federal pre-trial detainees and sentenced



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felons who have nearly completed their prison terms, and approximately 180 State inmates who are awaiting trial in state court; and

WHEREAS, since June 2001, the State has leased bed space at the FDC, and as of September 2019, the FDC housed 186 male and female inmates under the State Department of Public Safety's jurisdiction at a daily cost of \$129.48 per inmate; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill ("SB") 2918 and House Bill ("HB") 2362, currently before the State Legislature, propose to appropriate unspecified sums for fiscal years 2020 and 2021 to purchase the FDC for the purpose of housing State detainees and inmates; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the FDC would relieve overcrowding at State jails and prisons and eliminate the financial costs of leasing bed space for state inmates at the FDC; and

WHEREAS, in the Governor's supplemental budget request to amend the Fiscal Budget 2019-2021 Executive Biennium Budget, introduced as HB 2200 and SB 2075, the administration requested \$20 million for "professional services to assist in the acquisition of an existing facility or for the construction of a new facility to replace OCCC"; and

WHEREAS, the FDC facility could serve as the State's primary correctional facility and eliminate the need to construct a new State correctional facility or prison; and

WHEREAS, State acquisition of the FDC would also enable the current OCCC site to be dedicated for non-correctional use, including transit-oriented redevelopment, which could revitalize the surrounding area and generate additional revenues for the State and City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council ("Council") believes that a new correctional center for State detainees and inmates could provide adequate living space for detainees and inmates, accommodate various treatment facilities, and result in improved community security and more efficient operations, due to the FDC's integrated state-of-the-art surveillance and management technologies; and

WHEREAS, the Council also believes that any financial savings from the State's acquisition of the FDC could be dedicated to other services, such as mental health and substance abuse treatment programs; now, therefore,



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BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it urges the Hawaii State Legislature to seriously consider the feasibility of appropriating funds to acquire the Honolulu Federal Detention Center to address prison overcrowding on the island of Oahu; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor of the State of Hawaii, the State Director of Public Safety, the President of the State Senate, and the Speaker of the State House of Representatives.

INTRODUCED BY:

Heidi Tsuneyoshi

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

January 31, 2020
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII
CERTIFICATE

RESOLUTION 20-30, CD1

Introduced: 01/31/20 By: HEIDI TSUNEYOSHI

Committee: PUBLIC SAFETY AND
WELFARE

Title: RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE TO SERIOUSLY CONSIDER THE FEASIBILITY OF APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ACQUIRE THE HONOLULU FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER TO ADDRESS PRISON OVERCROWDING ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU.

Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

02/06/20	PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELFARE	CR-69 - RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED IN CD1 FORM. 4 AYES: MANAHAN, MENOR, TSUNEYOSHI, WATERS. 1 EXCUSED: FUKUNAGA.
02/19/20	COUNCIL	CR-69 AND RESOLUTION 20-30, CD1 AS AMENDED WERE ADOPTED. 9 AYES: ANDERSON, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN, MENOR, PINE, TSUNEYOSHI, WATERS.

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