
HOUSE RESOLUTION

RELATING TO ESTABLISHING A NORTH ROAD TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE
TRANSFER OF NORTH ROAD TO THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

1 WHEREAS, North Road, located in the Ewa Beach Community, is
2 a public health threat and environmental danger to its residents
3 and community; and
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5 WHEREAS, North Road poses a health and safety hazard for
6 children that must traverse the road without bus service,
7 lighting, or sidewalks; and
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9 WHEREAS, North Road exposes the 'aina to continuous toxic
10 environmental pollution from large scale dumping with no
11 practical solution to deal with burned out vehicles and
12 appliances; and
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14 WHEREAS, the United States Government was the original
15 owner of the road and has been subdivided over the years and was
16 sold with the surrounding parcels; and
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18 WHEREAS, North Road is now owned by several different
19 entities, with one portion of the road being privately owned by
20 a golf course that uses a tunnel underneath the road; and
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22 WHEREAS, North Road clearly is used as a public road, as it
23 is traversed primarily by the public as the route out of Ewa
24 from Iroquois Point; and
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26 WHEREAS, current deed holders, YHB Ewa LLC are overwhelmed
27 by the public use and illegal dumping and cannot maintain and
28 repair the road or sidewalks; and
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30 WHEREAS, the lack of care has resulted in dilapidated
31 sidewalks and lighting; and
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1 WHEREAS, the decayed road and abandoned vehicles is a
2 threat to public safety where children and residents could
3 easily be injured on the road while going to school; and
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5 WHEREAS, YHB Ewa LLC has expressed a desire to transfer the
6 property to the city and county of Honolulu; and
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8 WHEREAS, North Road is not currently in a condition to be
9 accepted as it lacks certain requirements under state and county
10 regulations; and
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12 WHEREAS, in spite of the fact that North Road is almost
13 exclusively used by the public, efforts to prompt the county,
14 state, and even the United States Navy to act in this matter
15 have been unsuccessful to date; now, therefore,
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17 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
18 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
19 2020, that a task force be established to study the transfer of
20 North Road to the City and County of Honolulu; and
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the task force shall be established
23 within the department of transportation and shall be comprised
24 of the director of transportation; the director of
25 transportation services; the director of planning and
26 permitting; a member of the Senate whose district includes at
27 least a portion of Ewa who shall be appointed by the Senate
28 President; a member of the House of Representatives whose
29 district includes at least a portion of Ewa who shall be
30 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; a
31 member of the Honolulu City Council whose district includes at
32 least a portion of Ewa who shall be appointed by the Chair of
33 the Honolulu City Council; and a member of the United States
34 Congress whose district includes at least a portion of Ewa who
35 shall be appointed by the Governor; and
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37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the director of transportation shall
38 invite a representative from the United States Navy and a
39 representative from the YHB Ewa LLC corporation and any other
40 individual whose membership in the opinion of the chairperson,



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1 would provide a benefit to the task force to become a member of
2 the task force; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members shall serve without
5 compensation. Members of the task force who are public officers
6 or employees shall receive no additional compensation for
7 service of the task force beyond their normal compensation. No
8 member shall be made subject to chapter 84, Hawaii Revised
9 Statutes, solely because of that member's participation on the
10 task force; and

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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the department of transportation
13 shall provide administrative support to the task force; and

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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED The task force shall submit a report
16 of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed
17 costs and legislation, to the legislature and the Honolulu City
18 Council no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the
19 2021 regular session of the legislature; and

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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall cease to
22 exist on June 30, 2021; and

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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
25 Resolution be transmitted to the director of transportation;
26 director of transportation services of the City and County of
27 Honolulu; the director of planning and permitting of the City
28 and County of Honolulu; the Mayor of the City and County of
29 Honolulu; the Governor; President of the Senate; Speaker of the
30 House of Representatives; YHB LLC Corporation; and United States
31 Department of the Navy.

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