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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIMANALO, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING PIER, SEAWALL, AND STEPS, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON.

WHEREAS, the existing pier identified as Tax Map Keys: (1) 4-1-001:011 and (1) 4-1-001:013, Waimanalo, Koolaupoko, Oahu, was placed upon state submerged lands; and

WHEREAS, since 1977, the abutting property owner, C. Michael Muller, possessed a month-to-month revocable permit issued by the Board of Land and Natural Resources to resolve the pier encroachment of 716 square feet; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Mr. Muller expressed an interest in converting the revocable permit to a non-exclusive easement; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands did not indicate any objections to the conversion into a non-exclusive easement regarding the pier; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of January 13, 2017, under agenda item D-14, the Board of Land and Natural Resources approved a grant of a 55-year non-exclusive easement to resolve the encroachment, to run with the land and to inure to the benefit of the abutting real property; and

WHEREAS, House Concurrent Resolution No. 27, Senate Draft 1, adopted in the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017, cited the purpose of the requested non-exclusive easement only for pier purposes; and

WHEREAS, an easement survey conducted subsequent to the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017, showed additional areas of encroachment, including a portion of the existing seawall and steps fronting the property identified as Tax Map Keys: (1) 4-1-001:011 and (1) 4-1-001:013, Waimanalo, Koolaupoko, Oahu, whereby the total encroachment area was determined to be 2,818 square feet; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of April 12, 2019, under agenda item D-8, the Board of Land and Natural Resources approved to amend the total encroachment area to 2,818 square feet, subject to the review and approval by the Department of Accounting and General Services' Survey Division, and to add seawall and steps purposes to the non-exclusive easement; and

WHEREAS, the grantee shall pay the State the fair market value of the non-exclusive easement as consideration of the use of public lands to be determined by an independent appraisal; and

WHEREAS, section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires the prior approval of the Governor and prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution to lease state submerged lands; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, the Senate concurring, that the Board of Land and Natural Resources is hereby authorized to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering a portion of state submerged lands identified as Tax Map Keys: (1) 4-1-001:011 and (1) 4-1-001:013, Waimanalo, Koolaupoko, Oahu, for the existing pier, seawall, and steps, and for use, repair, and maintenance of the existing improvements constructed thereon pursuant to section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this concurrent resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources.