

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1633-22

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 31 , 2022

RE: H.R. No. 68

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.R. No. 68 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND PARTNERS TO UTILIZE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 45-230 KULAULI STREET, KANEOHE, HAWAII, FOR AQUACULTURE PURPOSES THAT WILL NOT UNREASONABLY INTERFERE WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S REGULAR USE OF THE PROPERTY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the City and County of Honolulu Department of Environmental Services to partner with the University of Hawaii, Pacific American Foundation, and other organizations to utilize the property located at 45-230 Kulauli Street, Kaneohe, Hawaii, for aquaculture purposes that will not unreasonably interfere with the Department of Environmental Services' regular use of the property.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Pacific American Foundation.

Your Committee finds that the City and County of Honolulu owns the parcel of land that was the location of the former Kaneohe Wastewater Pretreatment Facility, which was located on the parcel of land at 45-230 Kulauli Street in Kaneohe, Hawaii. Since its decommissioning, only ancillary structures and a storage structure are maintained on the parcel of land; the rest of the


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property is underutilized. Your Committee also finds that the parcel of land is located adjacent to Waikalua Loko Fishpond, also known as Waikalua Loko I'a, a four-hundred-year-old ancient Hawaiian fishpond that the Pacific American Foundation and Pacific American Foundation Hawaii, Inc., embarked on restoring in partnership with the Waikalua Loko Fishpond Preservation Society. Your Committee finds that there is an opportunity to put the sixteen-acre property to productive use for aquaculture purposes.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 68 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Agriculture,



MARK J. HAHHEM, Chair



