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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR'S COORDINATOR ON HOMELESSNESS TO CONDUCT  
A STUDY ON THE COST OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES NECESSARY TO  
END CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS BY 2030.

1           WHEREAS, homelessness is a persistent public policy and  
2 humanitarian concern for Hawaii; and

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4           WHEREAS, the 2022 Point-In-Time Count tallied a total of  
5 5,973 people experiencing homelessness in the State, with the  
6 majority of the people counted living on Oahu at 3,951  
7 individuals, followed by Hawai'i County with 837 individuals,  
8 Maui County with 741 individuals, and Kaua'i County with 444  
9 individuals; and

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11           WHEREAS, the 2022 Point-In-Time Count showed an eleven  
12 percent decrease in Oahu's total homeless population from 2020,  
13 but a slightly higher number of unsheltered individuals living  
14 on the streets; and

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16           WHEREAS, there was also a significant drop in the number of  
17 individuals counted in shelters on Oahu in 2022 as compared to  
18 2020, with 1,596 individuals counted in shelters in 2022 and  
19 2,102 individuals counted in shelters in 2020; and

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21           WHEREAS, the decline in the number of individuals counted  
22 in shelters may be attributable to a decrease in statewide bed  
23 capacity caused by shelter closures and COVID-19 restrictions;  
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26           WHEREAS, statistics show that while Native Hawaiian and  
27 Pacific Islander populations make up approximately ten percent  
28 of the total population on Oahu, they represent more than  
29 thirty-five percent of those experiencing homelessness; and  
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1 WHEREAS, the current Governor has vowed to prioritize  
2 efforts to cut homelessness in half and eliminate chronic  
3 homelessness by 2030; now, therefore,  
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
6 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
7 Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, that the Governor's  
8 Coordinator on Homelessness is requested to conduct a study on  
9 the cost of programs and services necessary to end chronic  
10 homelessness by 2030; and  
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor's Coordinator on  
13 Homeless is requested to consider in the study the cost of  
14 shelter space, transitional housing, permanent supportive  
15 housing, housing assistance, stabilization facilities, substance  
16 abuse treatment, health care, mental health services, outreach  
17 programming, and other social services necessary to end chronic  
18 homelessness; and  
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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor's Coordinator on  
21 Homelessness is requested to consult with other governmental and  
22 nongovernmental organizations to perform the study, including  
23 the Department of Human Services, The Institute for Human  
24 Services, Partners In Care, and Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law  
25 & Economic Justice; and  
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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor's Coordinator on  
28 Homelessness is requested to submit the results of the study on  
29 the cost of ending chronic homelessness by 2030, including any  
30 findings, recommendations, and proposed legislation, to the  
31 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
32 the Regular Session of 2024; and  
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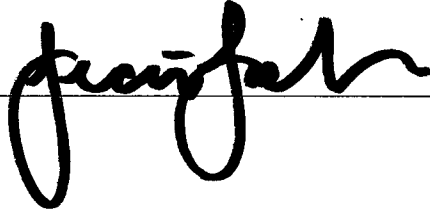
34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
35 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Lieutenant  
36 Governor, Director of Human Services, Governor's Coordinator on  
37 Homelessness, Executive Director of the Institute for Human  
38 Services, Executive Director of Partners In Care, and Executive  
39 Director of the Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law & Economic  
40 Justice.  
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