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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL, AND HONOLULU AUTHORITY FOR RAPID TRANSPORTATION TO FIND A MEANS TO FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PARK-AND-RIDE GARAGE AT WAIAWA STATION AND URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO ESTABLISH ADDITIONAL TRANSIT SERVICES BETWEEN CENTRAL OAHU AND WAIAWA STATION.

1           WHEREAS, the original plan for the Honolulu Rail Transit  
2 Project called for twenty miles of rail, resulting in twenty-one  
3 stations, and twenty four-car trains traveling from East Kapolei  
4 through downtown Honolulu to Ala Moana Center; and

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6           WHEREAS, a significant shortfall between projected revenues  
7 and construction expenses for the original plan necessitated the  
8 submission of a financial recovery plan from the City and County  
9 of Honolulu, to the Federal Transit Administration for approval  
10 and receipt of federal grant funds necessary to complete the  
11 project; and

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13           WHEREAS, the financial recovery plan was approved by the  
14 Federal Transit Authority in September 2022; and

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16           WHEREAS, the financial recovery plan reduces the length of  
17 the project from twenty miles of rail to roughly 18.75 miles,  
18 ultimately reducing the number of stations from twenty-one to  
19 nineteen; and

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21           WHEREAS, in addition, the financial recovery plan also  
22 deferred the construction of a park-and-ride garage at Waiawa  
23 Station in Pearl Highlands that was estimated to accommodate one  
24 thousand six hundred vehicles; and

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1 WHEREAS, the lack of this park-and-ride garage at Waiawa  
2 Station will greatly limit the utility of the rail transit line  
3 for Central Oahu residents; and

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5 WHEREAS, in December 2019, the Oahu Metropolitan Planning  
6 Organization completed the Central Oahu Transportation Study to  
7 address traffic congestion and long commute times in Central  
8 Oahu; and

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10 WHEREAS, the study identified several possible  
11 transportation projects to connect Central Oahu communities to  
12 the Waiawa Station under the assumption that the park-and-ride  
13 garage would be available; and

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15 WHEREAS, the study specifically recommended expanding  
16 TheBus service in Central Oahu and establishing bus rapid  
17 transit lines from Waiawa Station to Mililani and Central Oahu;  
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20 WHEREAS, the park-and-ride garage at Waiawa Station is  
21 critical for Central Oahu residents, as it would increase usage  
22 of the rail and reduce traffic congestion and the commute time  
23 for many residents across the State; now, therefore,

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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second  
26 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the  
27 House of Representatives concurring, that the Mayor of the City  
28 and County of Honolulu, Honolulu City Council, and Honolulu  
29 Authority for Rapid Transportation are urged to find a means to  
30 fund the construction of the park-and-ride garage at Waiawa  
31 Station of the Honolulu Rail Transit Project; and

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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of  
34 Transportation Services is urged to establish additional transit  
35 services between Central Oahu and Waiawa Station; and

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37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Department  
38 of Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu is  
39 requested to submit a report detailing the progress made on the  
40 establishment of additional transit services between Central  
41 Oahu and Waiawa Station to the Legislature no later than twenty  
42 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2024; and

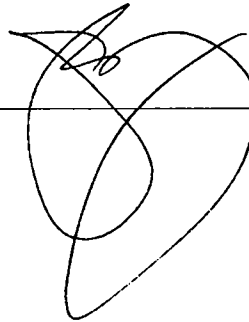


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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, each member of the Honolulu City Council, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation, Director of the Department of Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu, Executive Director of the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, and chairpersons of the Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21, Waipahu Neighborhood Board No. 22, Mililani/Waipio/Melemanu Neighborhood Board No. 25, and Mililani Mauka/Launani Valley Neighborhood Board No. 35.

OFFERED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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