
SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE AND CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO RECOGNIZE
AND ADDRESS THE INEQUITABLE LOCATION OF MENTAL HEALTH
FACILITIES, CLEAN AND SOBER HOMES, HOMELESS SHELTERS, AND
OTHER SUPPORTIVE LIVING HOMES ACROSS THE ISLAND OF OAHU.

1 WHEREAS, mental health facilities, clean and sober homes,
2 homeless shelters, and other supportive living homes are
3 inequitably located across the island of Oahu, with a large
4 number of facilities and homes along the Waianae coast; and
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6 WHEREAS, the large number of mental health facilities,
7 clean and sober homes, homeless shelters, and other supportive
8 living homes along Oahu's Waianae coast has caused individuals
9 struggling with mental health issues and substance use problems
10 to be referred to services along the Waianae coast from other
11 areas of Oahu; and
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13 WHEREAS, due to these factors, residents living along the
14 Waianae coast have urged the government to increase access to
15 mental health facilities, clean and sober homes, homeless
16 shelters, and other supportive living homes more evenly across
17 the State; now, therefore,
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19 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second
20 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023,
21 that the State and City and County of Honolulu are urged to
22 recognize and address the inequitable locating of mental health
23 facilities, clean and sober homes, homeless shelters, and other
24 supportive living homes across the island of Oahu, particularly
25 the prevalence of these facilities and homes along the Waianae
26 coast; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Partners in Care Oahu is
29 requested to consult with stakeholders on issues such as:
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- 31 (1) The proximity of supportive living homes to children,
32 elderly, and recreational areas;



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- 2 (2) Transparency;
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- 4 (3) Liability insurance;
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- 6 (4) Lack of Honolulu Police Department and Department of
- 7 Planning and Permitting of the City and County of
- 8 Honolulu resources;
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- 10 (5) Oversight; and
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- 12 (6) Community engagement; and
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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
15 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Health, Director of
16 Human Services, Director of Public Safety, Chief Justice of the
17 Hawaii Supreme Court, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu,
18 Chairperson of the Honolulu City Council, Chief of the Honolulu
19 Police Department, Director of the City and County of Honolulu
20 Department of Planning and Permitting, Prosecuting Attorney of
21 the City and County of Honolulu, Executive Secretary of the
22 Neighborhood Commission Office of the City and County of
23 Honolulu, Chairperson of the Waianae Coast Neighborhood Board,
24 Chairperson of the Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board, and
25 Executive Director of Partners in Care Oahu.

