

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL, AND DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO CREATE A DEDICATED ANIMAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMPLEX WITHIN KALAELOA PARKLANDS.

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2024, the City and County of Honolulu 1 took ownership of approximately four hundred acres of designated 2 Kalaeloa parklands from the United States Navy; and 3 4 WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu intends to use 5 these lands for public park and public recreational purposes; 6 7 and 8 WHEREAS, the needs of the animal community on Oahu have 9 10 been overlooked; and 11 WHEREAS, restrictions imposed on park usage at existing 12 13 City and County of Honolulu parks and competition for park usage with sports groups have made it extremely difficult to find 14 suitable animal-friendly venues for dog shows, dog sports, cat 15 shows, bird shows, free flight bird areas, and 4H groups working 16 with animals; and 17 18 WHEREAS, Kapolei is a rapidly growing area, but its 19 residents lack a public park space to enjoy with their pets; and 20 21 WHEREAS, the only on-leash dog park within City Park 22 23 District 3, which covers Waipahu to Waianae, is the Ewa Beach Community Park, and there are no public off-leash dog parks in 24 25 this area; and 26





WHEREAS, the Kalaeloa parklands are well situated to 1 include an animal education and training complex; now, 2 3 therefore, 4 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 5 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 6 of 2025, the Senate concurring, that the Mayor of the City and 7 County of Honolulu, Honolulu City Council, and Department of 8 Parks and Recreation of the City and County of Honolulu are 9 requested to create a dedicated animal education and training 10 complex within the Kalaeloa parklands; and 11 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the dedicated animal education 13 and training complex is requested to include bathrooms, secure 14 indoor meeting and exhibition rooms similar to the McCoy 15 Pavilion at Ala Moana Beach Park, food preparation facilities, 16 and secure storage areas that may be rented by animal clubs to 17 store necessary equipment, such as equipment for dog agility, 18 19 dog obedience, and Fast CAT and cages required for benched cat, 20 rabbit, and bird shows; and 21 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City 23 and County of Honolulu, Chairperson of the Honolulu City 24 25 Council, and Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation 26 of the City and County of Honolulu. 27 28 29 OFFERED BY:

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