
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS TO REPORT ON THE
STATUS OF WAIMEA VALLEY.

1 WHEREAS, in late 2005, as a culmination of efforts by the
2 City and County of Honolulu to condemn Waimea Valley, the City
3 entered into a tentative agreement with the private owner of the
4 valley that would have broken up the valley and allowed some
5 limited, but expensive, homes to be built in the valley; and
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7 WHEREAS, in 2006 a settlement involving the State, City,
8 Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and the United States Army, the
9 valley was purchased and title to the valley was transferred to
10 the Office of Hawaiian Affairs; and
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12 WHEREAS, since mid-2003, the National Audubon Society has
13 been operating and maintaining the valley on a month-to-month
14 basis; and
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16 WHEREAS, since the title to the valley transferred to the
17 Office of Hawaiian Affairs, negotiations continued with the
18 National Audubon Society regarding a long-term agreement for its
19 continued stewardship of the valley; and
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21 WHEREAS, unfortunately in January 2007, the National
22 Audubon Society announced that it was terminating its
23 negotiations with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs due to
24 differing management and oversight needs of the two
25 organizations; and
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27 WHEREAS, Waimea Valley is a valuable asset to the entire
28 State and its proper stewardship is a statewide concern; now,
29 therefore,
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31 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
32 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular



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1 Session of 2007, the Senate concurring, that the Office of
 2 Hawaiian Affairs is requested to report to the Legislature at
 3 its earliest convenience on the status of the future operation
 4 and maintenance of Waimea Valley; and

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 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 7 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
 8 Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

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