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S.C.R. NO. 116

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING ASSISTANCE FOR THE KOLOA COMMUNITY HAPA TRAIL VOLUNTEERS FOR THE RESTORATION AND PRESERVATION OF THE HAPA TRAIL IN PERPETUITY.

1 WHEREAS, state historic properties that are over fifty 2 years old and deemed to be significant, are inventoried and 3 assigned state site numbers, and the Hapa Road on Kauai is one 4 of 180,000 historic properties that have been assigned a site 5 number; and

7 WHEREAS, the Hapa Road served as the main thoroughfare 8 between the inland community of Koloa and Hanakaape Bay, the 9 third largest seaport in nineteenth century Hawaii, where goods 10 from abroad arrived and from which fresh food, water, stores, 11 sugar, hides, lumber, and produce were exported; and 12

WHEREAS, in 1972, the Hapa Road landowner petitioned to
have the land reclassified from agricultural and open to resort
and commercial uses, and the State and county maintained the
Hapa Road as a dedicated pedestrian and bike path; and

18 WHEREAS, Koloa Plantation Days were first celebrated in
19 1985 to commemorate the historic and economic importance of the
20 sugar industry to the State; and

WHEREAS, since 1985, the Hapa Road Walk has initiated the week-long festivities of the sugar plantation heritage of Koloa and is an integral part of the celebration of the Koloa Plantation Days; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, the Hapa Road was re-designated as the Hapa Trail by the County of Kauai for the purposes of historic preservation; and

31 WHEREAS, the Koloa Community Hapa Trail Volunteers have 32 established as their goal the preservation and perpetuation of



the ancient history of agriculture in the ahupuaa of Koloa and Weliweli, including the Koloa archaeological field system that lies between Haupu Range and the Poipu-Kukuiula coastline which held, until 1975, the richest of all remaining archaeological agricultural sites in the State and the most advanced example of agricultural practices and production in ancient Polynesia; and

8 WHEREAS, from 2008 to 2010, the Koloa Community Hapa Trail 9 Volunteers have devoted personal time, effort, equipment, and 10 materials to the maintenance of the Hapa Trail; and 11

WHEREAS, one of the most significant features of the Hapa Trail is the moss rock stonewalls lining 1.2 miles of the length, and which since the designation as a historic site and pedestrian and bike path, has been slowly dismantled and destroyed; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the House of Representatives concurring, that the State Historic Preservation Division is requested to assist the Koloa Community Hapa Trail Volunteers in their restoration and preservation of the Hapa Trail in perpetuity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Historic Preservation Division is requested to assist the Koloa Community Hapa Trail Volunteers with their efforts to ensure the restoration and preservation of the 1.2 miles of stonewalls delineating the Hapa Trail and the maintenance of the surface of the Trail; and 30

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 32 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the 33 Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Administrator of the 34 State Historic Preservation Division, and the President of the 35 Koloa Community Hapa Trail Volunteers.

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