## THE SENATE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII

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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO AMEND EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3665 THAT SET ASIDE LANDS FOR A GOLF COURSE AND TO RE-DEDICATE THOSE LANDS FOR A REGIONAL PARK.

1 WHEREAS, the Governor has the authority under section 2 171-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to set aside public lands to 3 any department or agency, subject to legislative disapproval; 4 and

6 WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 3665 of the Governor set aside 7 lands for the Kealakehe Waste Water Reclamation Field and North 8 Kona Golf Course; and

10 WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 3665 should be amended to 11 dedicate the 193.547 acres of public lands to provide a regional 12 park for the residents of West Hawaii; and

14 WHEREAS, Kona community stakeholders and members throughout 15 West Hawaii participated in a three-day session to assist in the 16 planning of the "Kailua-Old Airport State Park" Development, 17 also known as Makaeo Park; and

19 WHEREAS, session participants unanimously voted and agreed 20 that the "Kailua-Old Airport State Park" Development needs to 21 sufficiently accommodate all spectator sports activities and 22 uninterrupted green space; and

24 WHEREAS, the proposed development of the Urban Expansion 25 District of Kealakehe and Keahuolu composed of 5,000 single and 26 multi-family units requires that there be a regional park; and 27 28 WHEREAS, the Kealakehe and Keahuolu population could reach

29 17,500 to 20,000 residents, without plans for adequate 30 recreational facilities for the families of both ahupuaa; and 31

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1 WHEREAS, a regional park would serve to remediate both 2 spectator sports and the need to keep our open space, and beach and shoreline activities for beach goers; and 3 4 5 WHEREAS, the 193.547 acres proposed regional park plan offers excellent opportunities for the Kona community to plan 6 and design a world-class facility to serve as a state, national, 7 international, and world sporting events venue, thereby 8 9 augmenting the regional park's impact on the economy; and 10 WHEREAS, Kona and West Hawaii residents, as well as 11 residents island wide deserve a regional park facility that 12 13 promotes team sports, community spirit, community pride, and economic sustainability; now, therefore, 14 15 16 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the 17 House of Representatives concurring, that the Governor is 18 19 requested to amend Executive Order No. 3665 that set aside lands 20 for a golf course, and to re-dedicate those lands for a regional

21 park; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and the
Mayor of the County of Hawaii.

