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SENATE 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.

WHEREAS, the Governor has the authority under section
 171-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to set aside public lands to
 any department or agency, subject to the approval of the
 Legislature; 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

WHEREAS, the proposed development of the Urban Expansion District of Kealakehe and Keahuolu composed of 5,000 single and multi-family units requires that there be a regional park; and

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 ahupua'a; and

32 WHEREAS, a regional park would serve to remediate both 33 spectator sports and the need to keep our open space, and beach 34 and shoreline activities for beach goers; and



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WHEREAS, the 193.547 acres proposed regional park plan
 offers excellent opportunities for the Kona community to plan
 and design a world-class facility to serve as a state, national,
 international, and world sporting events venue, thereby
 augmenting the regional park's impact on the economy; and

7 WHEREAS, Kona and West Hawaii residents, as well as
8 residents island wide deserve a regional park facility that
9 promotes team sports, community spirit, community pride, and
10 economic sustainability; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, that the Governor is requested to amend Executive Order No. 3665 that set aside lands for a golf course, and to re-dedicate those lands for a regional park; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
19 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and the Mayor of
20 Hawaii.

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