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In Consideration of HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 45 – AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF STATE RECLAIMED LANDS AT KANEOHE, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR BEACH ACCESS **RIGHT-OF-WAY PURPOSES**

House Concurrent Resolution 45 authorizes the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to sell state reclaimed land to the City and County of Honolulu (City), for a beach access right-of-way purposes pursuant to Section 171-64.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). The Department urges adoption of this Administration measure.

The City is the owner of a beach right-of-way immediately mauka of the subject state reclaimed land. The state reclaimed land was originally set aside to the City under Governor's Executive Order No. 3410 for a park site. The City never developed the park because there is no sandy beach in the area.

On October 8, 2004, under agenda Item D-13, the Board of Land and Natural Resources approved the sale of the reclaimed land to the City for beach right-of-way purposes. The consideration for the state reclaimed land is gratis. The proposed sale will facilitate the City to maintain a beach right-of-way to the shoreline in perpetuity.

An information briefing on the proposed sale was conducted on November 30, 2009 at Windward Community College in Kaneohe, Oahu.

This concurrent resolution is requested to allow the Department to sell state reclaimed land as required under Section 171-64.7, HRS.

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