HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII

H.C.R. NO. 165

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO ALLOW STATE-OWNED LANDS TO BE USED BY COMMUNITY GROUPS FOR AN OPEN MARKET IN WAHIAWA.

1 WHEREAS, agriculture in Hawaii is an important and vital 2 part of our economy, supporting more than 40,000 jobs; and 3 4 WHEREAS, open markets support the economic viability of 5 Hawaii's agricultural and aquacultural industries by providing market sites for local farmers, fishermen, and their 6 7 representatives to sell their products; and 8 9 WHEREAS, open markets provide opportunities for people to 10 purchase produce, flowers, plants, and other products directly from farmers, fishermen, and other members of the community; and 11 12 13 WHEREAS, Wahiawa is the home of one of the first and 14 primary agricultural industries of Hawaii, the pineapple 15 industry; and 16 17 WHEREAS, Wahiawa has shown a dedication to agriculture over 18 the years through long-standing family farms as well as through school programs that support agriculture; and 19 **20**⁻ 21 WHEREAS, there is currently no open market established 22 within Wahiawa, despite the community's strong agricultural ties; now, therefore, 23 24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 25 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 26 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Department of 27 Accounting and General Services be requested to allow community 28 29 groups and non-profit organizations to use state-owned lands for 30 the purpose of establishing an open market in Wahiawa; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Accounting and General Services is requested to adopt rules in accordance with Hawaii Revised Statues Chapter 91, to regulate such an open market so as to protect the State of Hawaii from any potential liabilities that could arise; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this 8 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the 9 Department of Accounting and General Services; and 10

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Concurrent 12 Resolution be transmitted to the Wahiawa Community and Business 13 Association, the Wahiawa Hongwanji Mission, Wahiawa General 14 Hospital, the Hawaii Farm Bureau, and the Leilehua High School 15 Future Farmers of America.

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