## HOUSE RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO LOCATE LAND SUITABLE TO CONSTRUCT A MOTORSPORTS CENTER ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU.

WHEREAS, drag racing on the island of Oahu dates back to the early 1950s; and

WHEREAS, Hawaii Raceway Park opened for operation in Campbell Industrial Park in 1962; and

WHEREAS, Hawaii Raceway Park provided a safe and supervised location for people to operate a variety of vehicles, including drag racing cars, motorcycles, go karts, and street cars; and

WHEREAS, Hawaii Raceway Park was a gathering place for local racers, many of whom first attended the park as children with their families and later became participants; and

WHEREAS, Hawaii Raceway Park closed in 2006; and

WHEREAS, small businesses that operated at Hawaii Raceway Park have shut down, and others that derived a portion of their business from racers have cut back or shut down; and

WHEREAS, a motorsport center supporting all types of racing including but not limited to dirt track and drag racing would be ideal on the island of Oahu; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, that the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Hawaii Community Development Authority are encouraged to collaborate in locating land suitable to construct a motorsports center on the island of Oahu; and

| 1  | BE IT  | FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and      |
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| 2  | Natural Resources and Hawaii Community Development Authority   |   |
| 3  | consider:  |   |
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| 5  | (1)  | Lot 9 on the island of Oahu as a potential site for   |
| 6  |  | the motorsports center; and                           |
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| 8  | (2)  | Ways in which a motorsports center may be a source of |
| 9  |  | economic development for the State;                   |
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| 13 |  | FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this        |
| 14 | Resolution be transmitted to the Executive Director of the     |   |
| 15 | Hawaii Community Development Authority, and the Chairperson of |   |
| 16 | the Board  | of Land and Natural Resources.                        |