THE SENATE TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII S.C.R. NO. 67

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO OBTAIN NEW INVESTORS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE WORLD TRADE CENTER, HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii, through the Department of
 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, has been a
 registered member of the World Trade Centers Association since
 1994; and

6 WHEREAS, the mission of the World Trade Centers Association 7 is to foster a global World Trade Center network that promotes 8 prosperity through trade and investment; and

WHEREAS, the specific purposes of the World Trade Centers
Association are to encourage the expansion of world trade,
promote international business relationships and understanding
among nations, foster the increased participation in world trade
by developing nations, and create and encourage mutual
assistance and cooperation among members; and

WHEREAS, the World Trade Centers Association has
implemented a number of programs for its members over the years
aimed at achieving its mission and fulfilling its purposes,
including:

(1) Organizing seminars and developing new services, often on a global scale;

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(2) Serving as a clearinghouse for mutual assistance and cooperative exchange; and

(3) Forming strategic alliances with other private and governmental organizations; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)
 Leaders' Meeting will take place in Honolulu on November 12 and



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1 13, 2011, providing the State with a unique opportunity to showcase Hawaii's rich cultural heritage and hospitality; and 2 3 4 WHEREAS, the 2011 APEC Leaders' Meeting will also highlight the vast potential that Hawaii and the Asia-Pacific region holds 5 for American companies and workers, help shape the future of 6 Asia-Pacific's regional architecture, and promote APEC's core 7 mission of spurring mutually beneficial regional economic 8 integration; and 9 10 WHEREAS, the 2011 APEC Leaders' Meeting provides the State 11 with an unprecedented opportunity to enhance the World Trade 12 Center, Honolulu, and attract new investors for further 13 development; now, therefore, 14 15 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth 16 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, the 17 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of 18 19 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism is encouraged to 20 issue a Request for Proposals to obtain new investors for the development of the World Trade Center, Honolulu; and 21 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the enhancement of the World 23 24 Trade Center, Honolulu, be developed in coordination with the 25 Honolulu Rail Transit twenty-mile elevated rail line; and 26 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of 28 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Director of 29 30 Transportation; Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu; and Hawaii Tourism Authority. 31 32 33 34 OFFERED BY:

