
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU AND OAHU TRANSIT SERVICES
TO CONSTRUCT PUBLIC RESTROOM FACILITIES AT THE ALAPAI
TRANSIT CENTER.

1 WHEREAS, TheBus has twice been recognized as America's Best
2 Transit System, is the primary public transportation service on
3 Oahu and has an annual ridership of approximately seventy-five
4 million passengers; and
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6 WHEREAS, TheBus uses a multi hub-and-spoke route
7 configuration implementing ten transit centers as hubs for
8 riders to transfer buses; and
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10 WHEREAS, TheBus is privately managed by the Oahu Transit
11 Services under a public-private partnership with the Department
12 of Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu;
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15 WHEREAS, Oahu Transit Services has long-recognized the
16 public's desire for public restrooms at transit centers, as
17 reflected in the statement "They'll especially appreciate the
18 restrooms", made by Oahu Transit Services President and General
19 Manager J. Roger Morton at the August 13, 2007, dedication of
20 the Mililani Transit Center; and
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22 WHEREAS, the Middle Street/Kalihi, Waipahu, and Wahiawa
23 Transit Centers also provide public restrooms; and
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25 WHEREAS, after long rides and earlier transfers, bus riders
26 often find restroom facilities at transit centers not only
27 convenient, but necessary; and
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29 WHEREAS, on July 13, 2010, the City and County of Honolulu
30 broke ground for the Alapai Transit Center and issued a press
31 release stating, "[t]he \$5-million Alapai Transit Center will
32 feature . . . public restrooms"; and
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1 WHEREAS, in May 2012, the Alapai Transit Center opened
2 without public restrooms and with two single-toilet restrooms
3 designated for bus drivers only; and
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5 WHEREAS, Alapai Transit Center and the surrounding
6 immediate areas still lack public restrooms and it has been
7 reported that defecation and urination has occurred in nearby
8 bushes; and
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10 WHEREAS, the Alapai Transit Center is quickly becoming one
11 of the busiest transit centers on Oahu, with many commuters and
12 riders boarding buses departing the Alapai Transit Center after
13 having walked to the transit center from connecting buses at bus
14 stops located on nearby Alapai, King, and Beretania Streets; and
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16 WHEREAS, the bus-riding public has voiced their desire for
17 restroom facilities at the Alapai Transit Center in many ways,
18 including submitting a five-page petition to the Mayor of the
19 City and County of Honolulu requesting restroom facilities at
20 the Alapai Transit Center; and
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22 WHEREAS, on September 12, 2012, the City Council of the
23 City and County of Honolulu unanimously adopted Resolution No.
24 12-202, Urging the City Administration to Construct Restroom
25 Facilities at the New Alapai Transit Center; and
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27 WHEREAS, restrooms at the Alapai Transit Center are a
28 matter of public health and safety and not merely a convenience
29 for riders; now, therefore,
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31 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
32 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
33 Session of 2013, the City and County of Honolulu and Oahu
34 Transit Services are urged to construct public restroom
35 facilities at the Alapai Transit Center; and
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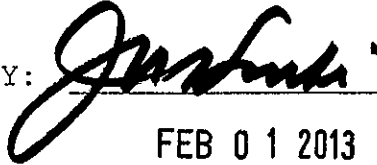
37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City and County of Honolulu
38 and Oahu Transit Services are urged to ensure that all future
39 transit centers have adequate public restroom facilities; and
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41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
42 Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City and County of
43 Honolulu, the Managing Director of the City and County of
44 Honolulu, the Director of Transportation Services of the City



1 and County of Honolulu, and the President and General Manager of
2 Oahu Transit Services.
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