HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO TAKE NECESSARY STEPS TO ADOPT AND ACCEPT JURISDICTION FOR NAHIKU BRIDGE IN THE HANA DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI.

WHEREAS, the safety of residents of the Hana district of the County of Maui may be at risk because of the condition of Nahiku Bridge; and

WHEREAS, regarding ownership of the bridge, the Department of Land and Natural Resources defers to the Department of Transportation, which claims that Nahiku Bridge is the responsibility of the County of Maui; and

WHEREAS, the County of Maui asserts that Nahiku Bridge is part of the old Hana Highway, which the county says is owned by the State; and

WHEREAS, the lack of established jurisdictional responsibility has resulted in a corresponding lack of maintenance of Nahiku Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the matter of jurisdictional responsibility for Nahiku Bridge must be resolved to protect the safety and wellbeing of residents of and visitors to the Hana district; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2014, that the Mayor and Council of the County of Maui are urged to take necessary steps to adopt and accept jurisdiction for Nahiku Bridge in the Hana district of the County of Maui; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Maui is requested to repair and maintain Nahiku Bridge to protect the safety and well-being of residents of and visitors to the Hana district; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor and all members of the Council of the County of Maui.

OFFERED BY: Well Carrell

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