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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO  
ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY THE POTENTIAL TRANSFER  
OF MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE ROYAL MAUSOLEUM AT  
MAUNA 'ALA TO ONE OR MORE APPROPRIATE NONPROFIT  
ORGANIZATIONS.

1 WHEREAS, the Royal Mausoleum at Mauna 'Ala ("Mauna 'Ala") in  
2 Nu'uuanu, Honolulu, is the 2.7 acre wahi pana of many of Hawai'i's  
3 Ali'i and their confidantes; and  
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5 WHEREAS, Mauna 'Ala is currently owned and managed by the  
6 Division of State Parks of the Department of Land and Natural  
7 Resources of the State of Hawai'i ("DLNR"); and  
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9 WHEREAS, under the guidance of the Mauna 'Ala Curator, Kahu  
10 William Bishop Kaihe'ekai Maioho, the DLNR bears the primary  
11 responsibility for managing and maintaining Mauna 'Ala, along  
12 with the support of the Estate of Bernice Pauahi Bishop, the  
13 Queen Lili'uokalani Trust, the William Charles Lunalilo Trust  
14 Estate, the Abigail K. Kawānanakoa Foundation, The Queen's  
15 Health Systems, and the Charles Reed Bishop Trust (collectively,  
16 the "Royal Parties"); and  
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18 WHEREAS, the DLNR, the Royal Parties, and the Kahu of Mauna  
19 'Ala have engaged in a cooperative effort to fund and undertake  
20 much needed repairs and renovations at Mauna 'Ala; and  
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22 WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the need to transfer  
23 the ongoing stewardship and maintenance of Mauna 'Ala to one or  
24 more nonprofit organizations with culturally-sensitive property  
25 management expertise, sufficient financial resources, and strong  
26 genealogical and cultural ties to Mauna 'Ala to assist the Kahu



1 of Mauna 'Ala with the ongoing management and maintenance of  
2 Mauna 'Ala for the benefit of the public; now, therefore,  
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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
5 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session  
6 of 2017, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Land and  
7 Natural Resources is requested to establish a working group to  
8 study the potential transfer of management and maintenance of  
9 the Royal Mausoleum at Mauna 'Ala to one or more appropriate  
10 nonprofit organizations; and  
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group consist of  
13 the following members:  
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- 15 (1) Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural  
16 Resources, or the Chairperson's designee;  
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- 18 (2) One representative from each of the Royal Parties; and  
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- 20 (3) Kahu William Bishop Kaihe'ekai Maioho, Kahu of Mauna  
21 'Ala;  
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- 23 (4) One representative from the Association of Hawaiian  
24 Civic Clubs;  
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- 26 (5) One representative from each of the following Hawaiian  
27 Royal Societies: Royal Order of Kamehameha I, 'Ahahui  
28 Ka'ahumanu, Hale O Nā Ali'i O Hawai'i, and Daughters and  
29 Sons of Hawaiian Warriors - Māmakakaua; and  
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- 31 (6) Three members of the general Hawaiian community, to be  
32 selected by the Department of Land and Natural  
33 Resources; and  
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35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested  
36 to select a chairperson from among themselves, and the  
37 chairperson is requested to convene working group meetings; and  
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39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested  
40 to consult with the Attorney General for guidance and advice in  
41 its work pursuant to this measure; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group is requested  
2 to:

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4 (1) Determine whether it would be in the best interest of  
5 the descendants of Hawaiian royalty and the people of  
6 Hawai'i to transfer management and maintenance of Mauna  
7 'Ala in perpetuity to one or more appropriate  
8 non-profit organizations with culturally-sensitive  
9 property management expertise, financial resources,  
10 and strong familial and cultural ties to Mauna 'Ala;  
11 and  
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13 (2) Develop and recommend the terms of the transfer of  
14 management and maintenance of Mauna 'Ala, including any  
15 proposed state actions and a timeline for the  
16 implementation of such state actions; and  
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that DLNR will be the state  
19 representative in issues regarding land management; and  
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group submit a  
22 report of its findings, analyses, and recommendations, including  
23 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than  
24 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of  
25 2019; and  
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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
28 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
29 Board of Land and Natural Resources, Chairperson of the Board of  
30 Trustees for The Estate of Bernice Pauahi Bishop, Board of  
31 Trustees of The Queen Lili'uokalani Trust, Chairperson of the  
32 William Charles Lunailo Trust Estate, President of the Abigail  
33 K. Kawānanakoa Foundation, Chief Executive Officer of The  
34 Queen's Health Systems, Trustees of the Charles Reed Bishop  
35 Trust, Kahu William Bishop Kaihe'ekai Maioho, President of the  
36 Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Royal Order of Kamehameha  
37 I, 'Ahahui Ka'ahumanu, Hale O Nā Ali'i O Hawai'i, and Daughters  
38 and Sons of Hawaiian Warriors - Māmakakaua.

