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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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URGING THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAII TO EXERCISE  
ITS POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN TO CONDEMN NAALEHU THEATER TO  
PRESERVE THE THEATER'S HISTORIC LEGACY.

1 WHEREAS, the Naalehu Theater, the southernmost theater in  
2 the country, was constructed in 1925 by the Hutchinson Sugar  
3 Company; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the theater hosted live performances and community  
6 events and, decades later, movie screenings for the public; and  
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8 WHEREAS, the property the theater is located on is  
9 currently owned by 300 Corporation, a division of the Harry and  
10 Jeanette Weinberg Foundation; and  
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12 WHEREAS, an attempt to list the theater as a historic  
13 property was made in 2005; and  
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15 WHEREAS, representatives from the State Historic  
16 Preservation Division of the Department of Land and Natural  
17 Resources visited the site and determined the theater was  
18 eligible for listing; and  
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20 WHEREAS, the theater was considered for listing on the  
21 Hawaii Register of Historic Places and National Register of  
22 Historic Places by the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board; and  
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24 WHEREAS, in June 2005, the president of 300 Corporation  
25 respectfully objected to the listings; and  
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27 WHEREAS, in 2006, the roof of the theater started to leak  
28 and needed repairs, including a new roof and ceiling, new  
29 gutters, and repairs to the foundation, at a cost of about  
30 \$150,000; and  
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the County Council of the County of Hawaii.

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