HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, 2018 STATE OF HAWAII

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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM CONVENE AN INTERNATIONAL MOON BASE ALLIANCE COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS AND GUIDANCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF EVOLVABLE LUNAR ARCHITECTURE ON THE ISLAND OF HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii has a strategic location near the equator 2 and in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, resident expertise in 3 aerospace-related technologies, and terrain that is similar to 4 the moon and Mars; and

6 WHEREAS, Hawaii has played a seminal role in the national 7 space program by providing astronaut training for the Apollo 8 lunar missions and cutting-edge applications of aerospace-9 related technologies in planetary geosciences, satellite 10 communications, space-based remote sensing, environmental 11 monitoring, and deep-space surveillance; and

12 13 WHEREAS, Hawaii has long-standing ties with space-faring 14 nations worldwide; and

16 WHEREAS, the island of Hawaii's moon-like terrain provides 17 an ideal environment for the development, testing, and 18 validation of a prototype moon base that allows humans to live 19 on the surface of the moon to conduct research and commercial 20 operations, also known as evolvable lunar architecture; and 21

WHEREAS, the island of Hawaii can create jobs and educational opportunities for local students, professionals, and entrepreneurs as a venue for research related to telecommunications, power generation, food production and life support systems that would allow interplanetary travel; and

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1 WHEREAS, new types of economic activity such as asteroid 2 mining, space-based solar power generation and the use of lunar 3 resources could enrich terrestrial civilization and help 4 preserve the Earth's fragile environment and ultimately enable 5 sustainable human exploration to Mars and beyond; now, 6 therefore, 7

8 BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 9 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 10 of 2018, that this body requests that the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism convene a committee 11 12 to be known as the International Moon Base Alliance, comprising representatives from government, industry, and research 13 institutions to provide recommendations and guidance for the 14 development of evolvable lunar architecture on the island of 15 Hawaii; and 16

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business, 19 Economic Development, and Tourism is requested to extend 20 invitations to join the International Moon Base Alliance without 21 compensation to representatives of relevant government, 22 industry, and university organizations, including but not 23 limited to:

(1) Hawaii-based organizations, including the Office of Aerospace Development, the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee, the Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems, the Hawaii Space Laboratory at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, and the Hawaii Space Exploration Analog and Simulation program;

- (2) The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, including but not limited to the Space Portal at NASA Ames Research Center and the Exploration Integration and Science Office at the Johnson Space Center;
- Other appropriate federal entities and national space agencies, including but not limited to the Federal Aviation Administration, United States Pacific Command, and United States Army Pacific;
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- (4) The Lunar Exploration and Analysis Group;



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The University Space Research Association, including

2 the Lunar and Planetary Institute; 3 4 (6) Major corporations representing aerospace, information technology, renewable energy, robotics, manufacturing, 5 6 and other appropriate industrial sectors; 7 8 (7) National space advocacy organizations, including the 9 National Space Society, the Lunar Explorer Society, 10 the Space Frontiers Foundation, and the American Astronautical Society; 11 12 13 (8) Global space agencies and organizations, including the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, the 14 International Lunar Exploration Working Group, the 15 International Space Exploration Coordination Group, 16 17 and the Committee on Space Research; and 18 The Chairs of the House Committees on Economic 19 (9) 20 Development and Business and Veterans, Military & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, and the 21 22 Chair of the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Tourism, and Technology, or their designees; and 23 24 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism is requested to use its 26 resources and technology to encourage virtual meetings in order 27 28 to submit an interim report on the progress of the development 29 of evolvable lunar architecture on the island of Hawaii to the 30 Legislature, including any findings, recommendations, and 31 necessary proposed legislation, no later than twenty days prior 32 to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019, and a final report to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the 33 convening of the Regular Session of 2020; and 34 35 36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; the 37 Director of the Department of Business, Economic Development, 38 and Tourism; the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; 39 40 the Federal Aviation Administration; United States Pacific

41 Command; and United States Army Pacific.

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