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HOUSE RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE MAYOR OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI AND THE MAUI COUNTY COUNCIL TO COLLABORATE ON IMPROVING SAFE BEACH ACCESS AT NAPILI BEACH.

WHEREAS, Napili Beach is located on one of Maui's most scenic, reef-protected bays; and

4 WHEREAS, Napili Beach's white sloping sand and clear turquoise water make it a prime destination for sun bathing, 5 swimming, snorkeling, surfing, stand-up paddle boarding, and 6 other water activities; and 7

WHEREAS, TripAdvisor ranked Napili Beach as the fifteenth Best Beach in the United States in its 2018 rankings; and

WHEREAS, the number of public beach guests has increased recently as other beaches in the area have lost their allure due to erosion; and

WHEREAS, public parking has been limited to the sides of the narrow and curving Lower Honoapi'ilani Road, despite the existence of various parking lots within walking distance; and

WHEREAS, the increased traffic in the area has created a safety hazard for:

- (1) Runners and walkers who must walk on the street as parked cars occupy the sides of the road;
- (2) Beach quests entering and exiting their vehicles; and
- (3) Drivers who must avoid all of these persons; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, that the Mayor of the County of Maui and the Maui County Council are strongly encouraged to collaborate to find solutions to improve safe beach access by:

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(1) Constructing an environmentally-friendly beach parking lot on the makai side of Lower Honoapi'ilani Road for a reasonable number of vehicles;

(2) Completing sidewalks on the sides of Lower
Honoapi'ilani Road to create safe pedestrian passage;
and

(3) Prohibiting parking and enforcing a parking restriction along the mauka side of Lower Honoapi'ilani Road; and

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

OFFERED BY:

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