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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING TO  
REEVALUATE THE ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS PERMIT PROCESS.

1 WHEREAS, urban Honolulu is a densely populated area and an  
2 influx of new residents will place additional stress upon the  
3 existing neighborhood infrastructure, such as limited on-street  
4 parking; and

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6 WHEREAS, homeowners in urban Honolulu are able to add  
7 extensions to their property, known as ohana units and accessory  
8 dwelling units; and

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10 WHEREAS, there are different requirements for an ohana  
11 unit, which may be rented only to family members related to the  
12 homeowner by blood, adoption, or marriage, and an accessory  
13 dwelling unit, which may be rented to anyone; and

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15 WHEREAS, homeowners who build ohana units for the  
16 homeowner's extended family are required to provide two parking  
17 spaces to accommodate the ohana dwelling residents in addition  
18 to the required parking spaces for the existing home; and

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20 WHEREAS, the current planning and permitting process  
21 requires that only one parking space be designated for the  
22 accessory dwelling unit in addition to the required parking  
23 spaces for the existing home; and

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25 WHEREAS, the current planning and permitting process does  
26 not require that a parking space be provided for the accessory  
27 dwelling unit if the accessory dwelling unit is located within  
28 one-half mile of a planned rail station; and

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30 WHEREAS, as of September 2017, the City and County of  
31 Honolulu approved 248 permits for accessory dwelling units and  
32 have placed another 113 permit applications under review; and



1 WHEREAS, there are approximately 20,000 lots in Honolulu  
 2 zoned for accessory dwelling units and homeowners' interest in  
 3 building accessory dwelling units increased in 2016 after the  
 4 City and County of Honolulu approved a two-year fee waiver of  
 5 fees associated with building an accessory dwelling unit; now,  
 6 therefore,

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 8 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
 9 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
 10 of 2018, that the Department of Planning and Permitting of the  
 11 City and County of Honolulu is requested to reevaluate the  
 12 permitting process and consider requiring two parking spaces to  
 13 be located on the lot where the accessory dwelling unit is  
 14 located regardless of whether the lot is located within one-half  
 15 mile of an existing or proposed rail station; and

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 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 18 Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City and County of  
 19 Honolulu and the Director of Planning and Permitting of the City  
 20 and County of Honolulu.

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