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Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
Senator Gilbert Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

**RE: SCR 92, SD1/SR 69, SD1 – Encouraging the Hawaii Community Development Authority to Prioritize Investment in Public Facilities within Transit-Oriented Development Zones and the Kalaeloa Community Development District in any of its Statewide Planning Functions or Involvement Therein – In support
Monday, April 1, 2019; 10:20 AM; Conference Room 211**

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran and members of the Committee,

Hunt Development Group (“Hunt”) supports these resolutions and appreciates including the Kalaeloa Community Development District.

The Kalaeloa Community Development District has critical infrastructure needs. When the U.S. Navy conveyed to Hunt the leasehold interest to 540-acres in Kalaeloa, the area had aging infrastructure, vacant and deteriorating buildings, landscape overgrowth, vandalism, dumping, copper theft and homeless issues. Since then, Hunt has invested several million dollars to revitalize the area, which has resulted in attracting local businesses and creating over 500 jobs that did not exist just a few years ago.

Hunt’s Kalaeloa Strategic Implementation Plan is an important public-private partnership between Hunt, the City & County of Honolulu, and the State of Hawaii which will deliver a vibrant and revitalized Kalaeloa community as envisioned in the State’s Kalaeloa Master Plan. The state’s investment in infrastructure is vital to the transformation of Kalaeloa.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments and we ask for your favorable consideration of these resolutions.

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