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S.C.R. NO. 233

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION TO IMPLEMENT AND GRANT TO THE STATE REVENUE GENERATED BY A NOISE POLLUTION IMPACT FEE EQUIVALENT TO TEN PERCENT OF TICKET REVENUES FOR ALL COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT FLIGHTS OVER EWA BEACH ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU.

1 WHEREAS, studies have shown that persistent noise 2 pollution, including noise from overhead aircraft, can cause 3 sleep disturbances, cognitive impairments, hypertension, hearing 4 loss, mood disturbances, and other chronic health conditions; 5 and

7 WHEREAS, a 2013 study published in the British Medical
8 Journal found a statistically significant association between
9 frequent exposure to aircraft noise and an increased risk of
10 developing cardiovascular disease; and

WHEREAS, children are especially vulnerable to these health effects and can experience hearing impairment, developmental disorders, psychological disorders, and various illnesses as a result of persistent noise pollution; and

WHEREAS, property values may also be lower for residences
located on commercial flight paths; and

20 WHEREAS, a great majority of the inbound commercial flights
21 to Honolulu's Daniel K. Inouye International Airport follow a
22 flight path directly over Ewa Beach; and

WHEREAS, the location of Ewa Beach on the flight path and the frequency of commercial flights to Daniel K. Inouye International Airport subject residents of Ewa Beach to more noise pollution, greater health risks, and lower property values than other communities in the State; now, therefore,



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BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Federal Aviation Administration is urged to implement a noise pollution impact fee equivalent to ten percent of ticket revenues for all commercial aircraft that file and follow flight paths over Ewa Beach on the island of Oahu; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Federal Aviation 10 Administration is urged to grant revenue generated by these fees 11 to the State for noise pollution mitigation efforts and the 12 improvement and maintenance of roads, infrastructure, and 13 schools in Ewa Beach on the island of Oahu; and 14

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Administrator of the
Federal Aviation Administration, Governor, and member of the
Honolulu City Council for District 1.

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