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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO NAME THE MOKULELE BIKE PATH AFTER FORMER STATE REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH "JOEY" W. BERTRAM III IN RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION OF HIS LIFE AND ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MAUI VETERANS HIGHWAY BIKE ROUTE.

1 WHEREAS, this body is proud to honor individuals and
2 organizations who work tirelessly to benefit their community;
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5 WHEREAS, one such individual is former State Representative
6 Joseph "Joey" W. Bertram III, who was born on April 29, 1957,
7 and who attended Kihei Elementary School before eventually
8 graduating from Baldwin High School, and who passed away at age
9 sixty-three on May 24, 2020; and
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11 WHEREAS, Joseph "Joey" W. Bertram III dedicated four years
12 of his life serving as a State Representative for District 11 in
13 South Maui; and
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15 WHEREAS, Joseph "Joey" W. Bertram III was a strong advocate
16 for greenways, open space, bikeways, and improved public
17 transportation; and
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19 WHEREAS, Joseph "Joey" W. Bertram III was the Founder and
20 Director of Public Access Trails Hawai'i-Maui, Director for
21 Greenways Maui, and participated in many community
22 organizations, such as the Kihei Community Association and Kihei
23 Youth Center, among others; and
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25 WHEREAS, Joseph "Joey" W. Bertram III pushed for measures
26 supporting the rights of workers; minors; the Lesbian, Gay,
27 Bisexual, Transgender, Queer community; the legalization and
28 responsible adult use of cannabis; and "many others, mundane and
29 controversial"; and
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1 WHEREAS, Joseph "Joey" W. Bertram III went above and beyond
2 the call of duty, not only advocating for greenways and bike
3 paths, but supporting transportation and planning projects such
4 as the roundabout at the intersection below the Safeway in
5 Kihei, Maui; and
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7 WHEREAS, one of Joseph "Joey" W. Bertram III's most
8 significant achievements was the Maui Veterans Highway bike
9 route, as well as the Kihei Greenway/South Maui Bike Path (Kihei
10 Greenway), which was included as an idea in the 1985 Kihei-
11 Makena Community Plan; and
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13 WHEREAS, the Kihei Greenway Bike Path is being built in
14 phases and is now in design for Phase 3 from Waipuilani Road to
15 Kaonoulu Street; now, therefore,
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17 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
18 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022,
19 that the Department of Transportation is urged to name the
20 Mokulele Bike Path after former State Representative Joseph
21 "Joey" W. Bertram III in recognition and celebration of his life
22 and role in the development of the Maui Veterans Highway bike
23 route; and
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
26 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation.
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