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Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation Before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

April 14, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. State Capitol, Room 312

In consideration of S.C.R. 162 SD1

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HHFDC <u>supports</u> S.C.R. 162 SD1 and is willing to participate in the working group led by OPSD to prepare the requested study.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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Chair Hashimoto, Vice Chair Aiu, and Members of the House Committee on Housing:

The Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD) **supports and offers comments** on SCR162, SD2. OPSD has worked with the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Hawaii Community Development Authority, Hawaii Public Housing Authority, many other State agencies, and the counties via the State Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Council, as established by the legislature in Act 130 (2016). Our collaborative efforts include the State TOD Strategic Plan (Statewide, 2018) and the State TOD Planning and Implementation project (Oahu, 2020). The Oahu project, which focused on East Kapolei, Halawa-Stadium, and Iwilei-Kapalama, identified the potential for 48,000 housing units, with \$3.2B in unfunded infrastructure needs. We are currently working with State agencies and the counties on planning and infrastructure studies in each county that integrate affordable housing and transportation improvements on government lands, which could include the production of even more housing.

In supporting this resolution to expedite and scale up housing production, we suggest that the level of technical analysis needed to address the goal of 500,000 new homes will require a funded study to address infrastructure, capital, market, and other capacity issues. OPSD suggests that we convene the working group to summarize the plans completed and under way, along with related efforts by other agencies and private sector developers, and coordinate a multi-agency briefing to legislators. We can include recommendations for next steps, legislation, and funding required to increase site capacity, identify infrastructure needs, and further expedite housing production.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.