HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON REDEVELOPING LANDS SITUATED AT TMK (1) 2-8-015:001 INTO WORKFORCE HOUSING AND OTHER AFFILIATED USES.

WHEREAS, the Department of Business, Economic Development, 1 and Tourism estimates that Hawaii will need between 2 3 approximately twenty-six thousand to forty-seven thousand new housing units prior to 2030 to address the critical shortage of 4 housing; and 5 6 WHEREAS, the continuing lack of sufficient supply or 7 inventory of workforce housing will worsen the shortage of 8 9 housing every year as the demand for housing will continue to grow more rapidly than new supply is available; and 10 11 WHEREAS, if the State fails to address this housing crisis, 12 more residents will be forced to move away from Hawaii to obtain 13 14 housing they can afford; and 15 WHEREAS, state agencies could help to address the housing 16 17 crisis by providing suitable lands available for the development of affordable housing, including workforce housing, on 18 properties that those agencies are planning to redevelop; and 19 20 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii has started the initial 21 stages for plans to repurpose some of its real estate, including 22 its lands situated adjacent to the University of Hawaii at Manoa 23 campus (TMK (1) 2-8-015:001) where the College of Education is 24 25 currently located; and 26 27 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii has stated that its plans 28 at TMK (1) 2-8-015:001 include demolishing a building previously used by the Public Broadcasting Station located on the property 29

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and relocating the College of Education, both projects of which 1 have been appropriated funds by the Legislature; and 2 3 4 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii has announced its plans to eventually relocate the University of Hawaii Children's 5 6 Center from TMK (1) 2-8-015:001 to a different site; and 7 8 WHEREAS, the University Laboratory School is a public 9 charter school located on TMK (1) 2-8-015:001 that is not a program of the University of Hawaii, but has been affiliated 10 with the University of Hawaii in the past; and 11 12 13 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii's plans to repurpose TMK (1) 2-8-015:001 should include redevelopment to provide 14 workforce housing that would help to address the housing needs 15 of the community, as well as increase amenities for the 16 17 surrounding properties and enhance the surrounding neighborhood; 18 and 19 20 WHEREAS, providing concepts and plans publicly as early as possible would be very helpful and useful to programs and 21 22 organizations that currently utilize TMK (1) 2-8-015:001 as well as surrounding properties; now, therefore, 23 24 25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 26 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, that the University of 27 28 Hawaii, in consultation with the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, or any other appropriate state agency, 29 is requested to conduct a feasibility study on redeveloping 30 lands situated at TMK (1) 2-8-015:001 into workforce housing and 31 32 other affiliated uses; and 33 34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the feasibility study is requested to be conducted in cooperation with any appropriate 35 36 state agency that will be affected by the study or may be instrumental in completing the study; and 37 38 39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii, in consultation with the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development 40 Corporation, or any other appropriate state agency, is requested 41 to include in the study a conceptual development plan that may 42

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1 include a market study to redevelop the parcel, along with the steps needed for such development; and 2 3 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii is requested to submit a report on the feasibility study to the 5 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of 6 7 the Regular Session of 2025; and 8 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Lieutenant 10 Governor, Executive Director of the Hawaii Housing Finance and 11 Development Corporation, President of the University of Hawaii, 12 Provost of the University of Hawaii at Manoa, Vice President for 13 Administration of the University of Hawaii System, and Vice 14 15 President for Budget and Finance and Chief Financial Officer of the University of Hawaii System. 16