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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO RESTORE THE FIELD OF MAUNAWILI VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD PARK AND DEVELOP A PLAN TO RESTORE THE ENTIRE PARK.

WHEREAS, Hawaii's natural resources provide irreplaceable and invaluable benefits to residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, parks create a space for communities to congregate safely for gatherings or outdoor recreation while preserving the natural environment unique to the area; and

WHEREAS, residents and visitors deserve and are attracted to safe and well-maintained parks; and

WHEREAS, located in Kailua, Maunawili Valley Neighborhood Park is a public space that is open to the general public and offers outdoor recreation and nature preservation; and

WHEREAS, various environmental changes, including the encroachment of invasive grass, have left Maunawili Valley Neighborhood Park's field unsuitable to safely host sports events and activities; and the entire park area needs to be restored in order to enable residents and visitors to safely recreate there; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Parks and Recreation of the City and County of Honolulu is requested to restore the field of Maunawili Valley Neighborhood Park, including by stopping the encroachment of invasive grass and leveling the field, to allow the field to be safely used by

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children and adults and to host sports events and activities; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Parks and Recreation of the City and County of Honolulu is requested to develop a plan to restore the entire Maunawili Valley Neighborhood Park area to be usable and safe for the community; and

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11 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation of the City and County of Honolulu.

OFFERED BY:

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