HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO SUBMIT A GRANT REQUEST TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR ROCKFALL MITIGATION IN MOANALUA GARDENS AND MOANALUA VALLEY, OAHU.

WHEREAS, boulders along hillsides pose a threat of dangerous rockfalls and landslides that could directly and indirectly impact communities across the State; and

WHEREAS, rockfall mitigation projects require proactive measures to protect hillside and valley communities; and

WHEREAS, on Oahu, the Moanalua Gardens and Moanalua Valley communities are considered a high risk zone for landslides and rockfalls; and

WHEREAS, certain hillsides surrounding Moanalua Valley are owned by the federal government, such as Tripler Army Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, the United States Army Corps of Engineers has previously conducted rockfall mitigation projects on surrounding hillsides in Moanalua Gardens and Moanalua Valley; and

WHEREAS, the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency is responsible for planning for and responding to natural and human-caused emergencies in the State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2024, the Senate concurring, that the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency is directed to identify and submit a request for an appropriate grant, including but not limited to a hazard mitigation assistance grant or pre-disaster mitigation

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program grant, to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for rockfall mitigation in Moanalua Gardens and Moanalua Valley, Oahu, under the Tripler Army Medical Center hillside; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Adjutant General of the Department of Defense; Commander of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District; and Director of the 9 Hawaii Emergency Management Agency.

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