## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO STUDY PERMITTED EVENTS IN URBAN HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu grants permits for 2 over one hundred events every year; and

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WHEREAS, these events range from parades, such as the 5 annual Prince Kuhio parade, to races, such as the Honolulu Marathon; and

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WHEREAS, many of these events occur in the urban core of Honolulu; and

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WHEREAS, to ensure the safety of participants and spectators, these events often require significant road closures of major arteries in urban Honolulu; and

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WHEREAS, depending on the event, these road closures can last up to twelve hours; and

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WHEREAS, these road closures can be disruptive to residents who live in the area where the event is taking place, sometimes preventing a resident from either leaving or returning to their neighborhood until the event is over, and can impede timely access to emergency services; and

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WHEREAS, there are sometimes multiple events scheduled for the same week or weekend which leads to increased traffic congestion and inconvenience; now, therefore,

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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 City and County

of Honolulu is requested to convene a task force to examine 2 permitted events in urban Honolulu; and 3 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to 5 study: 6 The frequency and timing of permitted events; 7 (1)8 9 (2)The impact of permitted events on the community in 10 which the event is being held; 11 12 (3) Solutions to allow access to residents and emergency 13 services when the permitted event results in road closures arising that enclose neighborhoods for any 14 through traffic; 15 16 **17** (4)The permitting process for events and the steps applicants must undergo for a permit, including how 18 the applicant ensures the community in which the event 19 20 is located will not be adversely impacted; and 21 22 (5) Road closure management, including any steps the applicant must take to ensure road closures do not 23 24 impede emergency services; and 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to 26 27 consist of the following individuals: 28 29 (1)The Director of the Department of Transportation, or 30 their designee; 31 (2) The Director of the Department of Planning and 32 Permitting of the City and County of Honolulu, or 33 their designee; 34 35 36 (3) The Director of the Department of Transportation 37 Services of the City and County of Honolulu, or their designee; and 38 39

The Chief of the Honolulu Police Department, or their

designee; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to 1 2 invite the following individuals to participate in the working 3 group: 5 (1)A representative from an entity that has hosted either 6 a parade or a marathon; 7 8 (2) A representative from an entity that has hosted an 9 event at Ala Moana Regional Park; 10 11 (3) A resident from Waikiki, to be appointed by the 12 Representative of House District 24; 13 14 (4)A resident of Ala Moana, to be appointed by the 15 Representative of House District 25; and 16 (5) 17 A resident of urban Honolulu, to be appointed by the Senator of Senate District 12; and 18 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to 20 21 make a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty 22 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2025; and 23 24 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of 26 Transportation; Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu; 27 Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting of the 28 City and County of Honolulu; Director of the Department of 29 Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu; and 30 Chief of Police of the Honolulu Police Department. 31 32 33 34 MAR - 8 2024 OFFERED BY: