
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE PROMOTION AND EXPANSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF
HONOLULU NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY WATCH PROGRAM.

1 WHEREAS, the Honolulu Police Department coordinates a
2 neighborhood security watch program; and
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4 WHEREAS, numerous communities have established neighborhood
5 security watch groups, with approximately twelve thousand
6 residents participating across Oahu; and
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8 WHEREAS, neighborhood security watch program members and
9 participants receive education on operation identification,
10 residential security inspections, reporting suspicious activity
11 to 911 emergency services, and describing suspects; and
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13 WHEREAS, the neighborhood security watch program is an
14 important tool for improving community security, effective crime
15 deterrence, activating community involvement and integration,
16 and fostering and strengthening neighbor relationships; and
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18 WHEREAS, neighborhood security watch groups in
19 participating communities are spearheaded by a volunteer program
20 coordinator who serves as the liaison between the community and
21 police; and
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23 WHEREAS, the program coordinator works directly with
24 district police officers, designated block captains, and
25 community members; and
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27 WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu makes available to
28 participants house decals and street signs to show that
29 communities and individual residents are participating in the
30 neighborhood security watch program; and
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1 WHEREAS, neighborhood security watch groups are entirely
2 organized and maintained by community volunteers; and

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4 WHEREAS, the neighborhood security watch program could be
5 even more effective if greater public resources were provided to
6 participating community groups; now, therefore,

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8 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
9 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
10 of 2025, the Senate concurring, that the City and County of
11 Honolulu is requested to promote and expand the neighborhood
12 security watch program; and

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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City and County of Honolulu
15 is requested to establish a prototype pilot program that
16 provides minimal funding budget allowance for a community or
17 communities that have an established and active neighborhood
18 security watch program; and

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the pilot program budget
21 allowance is requested to provide to the program coordinator, at
22 minimum, funding for one mailer per home, per quarter, in the
23 selected community or communities, and funding for regular
24 meetings of the neighborhood security watch group or groups; and

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26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate Honolulu Police
27 Department division is requested to provide accounting and
28 oversight of the pilot program funding; and

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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, if proven successful, the
31 pilot program is requested to be expanded to other communities;
32 and

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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
35 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City
36 and County of Honolulu; Chief of the Honolulu Police Department;
37 and Chair of the Honolulu City Council.

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