
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO
INITIATE THE PLANNING OF A HEALTH TECH HUB IN KAKAAKO TO
ACCELERATE THE ADOPTION OF HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY AND
PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH OF HAWAII'S HIGHLY
SKILLED HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE.

1 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Community Development Authority is the
2 owner of approximately five-acre Lot C, located at Ilalo Street,
3 and described further by Oahu Tax Map Key No. (1)2-1-015: 052
4 (Lot C); and

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6 WHEREAS, Lot C is located in the Hawaii Community
7 Development Authority's Kakaako Community Development District's
8 Makai area, which is in the urban core of Honolulu; and

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10 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation's
11 Entrepreneurs Sandbox is located on Lot C 1; and

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13 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation is a
14 dynamic state agency responsible for diversifying Hawaii's
15 economy through the development of a flourishing technology
16 industry; and

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18 WHEREAS, technology is transforming health care in many
19 ways, including improving patient care, diagnostics, and
20 treatment; and

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22 WHEREAS, examples of technological advancements that will
23 transform health care include virtual reality and augmented
24 reality for training simulations and patient treatment and
25 generative artificial intelligence to simplify diagnostics and
26 surgery; and

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28 WHEREAS, the Entrepreneurs Sandbox is located adjacent to
29 the University of Hawaii at Manoa John A. Burns School of
30 Medicine and the University of Hawaii Cancer Center; and



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2 WHEREAS, because the Entrepreneurs Sandbox is located in
3 Kakaako Makai within the Kakaako Community Development District,
4 any development in that area must be approved by the Hawaii
5 Community Development Authority; now, therefore,
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7 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
8 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
9 of 2025, that the Hawaii Community Development Authority is
10 requested to initiate the planning of a Health Tech Hub in
11 Kakaako to accelerate the adoption of health care technology and
12 promote the development and growth of Hawaii's highly skilled
13 health care workforce; and
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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaii Community
16 Development Authority is requested to initiate the planning of
17 the Health Tech Hub in consultation with the Director of
18 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, Hawaii Technology
19 Development Corporation, University of Hawaii at Manoa John A.
20 Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawaii Cancer Center,
21 and Hawaii Broadband and Digital Equity Office; and
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaii Community
24 Development Authority is requested to submit a report of its
25 conceptual plan for the development of the Health Tech Hub,
26 including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later
27 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
28 of 2026; and
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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
31 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Business, Economic
32 Development, and Tourism; Executive Director of the Hawaii
33 Community Development Authority; Executive Director of the
34 Hawaii Technology Development Corporation; Dean of the
35 University of Hawaii at Manoa John A. Burns School of Medicine;
36 Director of the University of Hawaii Cancer Center; and
37 Strategic Broadband Coordinator of the Hawaii Broadband and
38 Digital Equity Office.
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