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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO EMPLOY AN ARCHAEOLOGIST FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN REBUILDING LAHAINA.

1 WHEREAS, the wildfires on Maui in August 2023 were among  
2 the deadliest and most destructive in the State's history; and  
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4 WHEREAS, the wildfires devastated much of the historic town  
5 of Lahaina, destroying centuries-old buildings, cultural  
6 landmarks, and irreplaceable heritage sites that were central to  
7 its identity and history; and  
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9 WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that historic  
10 preservation is critical in rebuilding Lahaina because it helps  
11 maintain cultural identity, supports economic recovery through  
12 tourism, promotes environmental sustainability by reducing  
13 waste, aids in social and emotional healing, provides  
14 educational value, fosters community cohesion, and ensures  
15 compliance with legal preservation regulations; and  
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17 WHEREAS, no archaeologist is currently involved in  
18 preserving the history and culture of the community and the  
19 State during the rebuilding of Lahaina; now, therefore,  
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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third  
22 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025, the  
23 House of Representatives concurring, that the County of Maui is  
24 requested to employ one full-time equivalent (FTE)  
25 archaeologist; and  
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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the archaeologist is requested  
28 to work with other entities involved in the rebuilding of  
29 Lahaina to preserve the history and culture of the community and  
30 the State; and  
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# S.C.R. NO. 75

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the archaeologist is requested  
2 to implement federal and state mandates, and to plan and manage  
3 projects on historic preservation; and  
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the County  
7 of Maui.  
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OFFERED BY: \_\_\_\_\_



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