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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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STRONGLY SUPPORTING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FLOATING DRYDOCK AT  
PEARL HARBOR.

1           WHEREAS, Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard serves as a critical  
2 component of the United States Navy's Pacific Fleet maintenance  
3 and readiness efforts, providing essential ship repair,  
4 overhaul, and modernization services; and

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6           WHEREAS, construction of a floating drydock at Pearl Harbor  
7 would expand the shipyard's capacity to service submarines and  
8 surface vessels, thereby strengthening national defense; and

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10          WHEREAS, establishing a new floating drydock would also  
11 generate significant economic benefits for Hawaii, create  
12 high-paying jobs, attract investment, and foster workforce  
13 development opportunities within the State's maritime and  
14 defense industries; and

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16          WHEREAS, Act 45, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, authorized  
17 the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for the purpose of  
18 assisting Pearl Harbor Floating Drydock, LLC, a Hawaii  
19 corporation, for the construction of a purpose-built floating  
20 drydock at Pearl Harbor to service submarines and surface ships;  
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23          WHEREAS, although later cost estimates for the floating  
24 drydock were considerably higher than the authorized amount for  
25 the special purpose revenue bonds and they ultimately were never  
26 issued, the need for a floating drydock remains; and

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28          WHEREAS, continued investment in modern ship maintenance  
29 infrastructure aligns with the United States Navy's strategic  
30 objectives and reinforces Hawaii's role as a key hub for the  
31 Navy's operations in the Pacific; now, therefore,

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33          BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third  
34 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025,



1 that the Legislature expresses its strong support for the  
2 construction of a floating drydock at Pearl Harbor; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
5 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States,  
6 the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Navy, the  
7 Commander of the United States Indo-Pacific Command, and the  
8 members of Hawaii's congressional delegation.

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