

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE OF HAWAII AND CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO COLLABORATE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A WORLD-CLASS, COMPREHENSIVE SPORTS COMPLEX IN WEST OAHU.

1	WHEREAS, sports play an important role in the health and
2	wellbeing of individuals in Hawaii and around the world; and
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4 5	WHEREAS, at the national and international level, sports
5 6	can be a unifier and a means for persons from different communities, states, and nations to come together and celebrate
7	who they are, what they represent, and what they value; and
8	who they are, what they represent, and what they value, and
9	WHEREAS, Hawaii's warm and relatively consistent climate
10	allows for outdoor sports and training to be conducted all year,
11	making the State an excellent choice for tournaments and sports
12	training; and
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14	WHEREAS, Hawaii's location makes it an ideal place for
15	sports teams from around the Asia-Pacific region to train and
16	compete at a world-class, comprehensive sports complex; and
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18	WHEREAS, West Oahu is one of the fastest-growing areas in
19 20	the State and is a perfect community in which to construct a sports complex; and
20 21	spores comprex, and
22	WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu and the State of
23	Hawaii each control large parcels of land in West Oahu that
24	could potentially accommodate a sports complex, including
25	certain lands in the Kunia area adjacent to the H-1 Freeway and
26	mass transit stations; and certain parcels adjacent to Coral Sea
27	Road in Kapolei; and
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29	WHEREAS, the complex ideally should be two hundred to
30	four hundred acres or more in area and should include facilities



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and equipment to accommodate a variety of indoor and outdoor 1 sports, including a stadium having a capacity for at least 2 sixty-five thousand spectators; at least four football or soccer 3 fields with running tracks; at least four softball or baseball 4 5 fields; and appropriately-sized sporting arenas with facilities for boxing, gymnastics, weight-lifting, dancing, hula, swimming, 6 7 and other sports and activities; and 8 WHEREAS, the complex should also include any necessary 9 ancillary facilities required to support the needs of the 10 individuals and teams using the sports complex, including 11 12 facilities for sports medicine, rehabilitation, education, weightlifting, and team accommodations, thereby allowing the 13 14 complex to be a one-stop location to serve all of the complex 15 users' needs; and 16 17 WHEREAS, the complex should also host a Pacific Culture 18 Center, in which Hawaii residents and visitors can share their cultures with each other through exhibits, classes, and 19 20 performing arts; and 21 22 WHEREAS, because the sports complex will be built to bring together people from across the Asia-Pacific region, it presents 23 a unique opportunity to involve private and public entities from 24 25 across the region to partner in the complex's development and providing most of the capital required for the complex's 26 27 development; and 28 29 WHEREAS, in addition to international partners, public and private entities from across the United States, including the 30 31 federal government, may also wish to partner in this endeavor; 32 and 33 34 WHEREAS, these partnerships will allow construction of the sports complex with a smaller initial capital investment by the 35 State and its political subdivisions, while also reducing risk 36 37 to taxpayers in the long-run; and 38 39 WHEREAS, once the complex opens to the public, revenue from visitors, including facility users and spectators, will generate 40 41 moneys to cover operation and maintenance expenses; and 42



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1 WHEREAS, accordingly, this facility will have the potential to not only be financially self-sustaining but also to be a 2 3 significant revenue generator for the State, City and County of 4 Honolulu, and local businesses and residents; and 5 6 WHEREAS, the sports complex will advance Hawaii's position as a true place of international exchange, taking advantage of 7 the State's location at the crossroads of the Pacific, while 8 9 also stimulating economic growth, increasing Kapolei's standing 10 as Oahu's second city, and enhancing the quality of life for 11 West Oahu residents; now, therefore, 12 13 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 14 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 15 of 2025, the Senate concurring, that the State of Hawaii and City and County of Honolulu are urged to collaborate in the 16 development of a state-of-the-art sports complex in West Oahu; 17 18 and 19 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sports complex be developed 21 in partnership with public and private partners from across the 22 United States and the Asia-Pacific region; and 23 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the complex provide opportunities for international athletes to compete and train in 25 26 a variety of different sports while also including space for 27 culture and arts exchange; and 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Hawaii's congressional 29 delegation work with the State and City and County of Honolulu 30 31 to identify potential partners for this endeavor; and 32 33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of the Governor and 34 the Office of the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu are 35 requested to study the feasibility of the development of a 36 comprehensive, world-class sports complex in West Oahu and 37 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including 38 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than 39 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 40 2026; and 41

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report identify locations 2 in Kunia or Kapolei for the sports complex and any actions required to secure those locations for the complex, including 3 land acquisitions, leases, and district boundary amendments; and 4 5 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 7 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, and members of Hawaii's 8 9 congressional delegation. 10 11 12

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