
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO INSTALL RAISED CROSSWALKS AT THE UNIVERSITY AVENUE, LAUIKI STREET, AND KAMOKU STREET INTERSECTIONS WITH HIHIWAI STREET TO IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY NEAR ALA WAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY.

1 WHEREAS, the intersections of University Avenue and Hiihawai
2 Street, Lauiki Street and Hiihawai Street, and Kamoku Street and
3 Hiihawai Street are located in a high-density residential area in
4 Honolulu, with numerous apartment buildings, consistent vehicle
5 traffic, and high volumes of pedestrians, including
6 schoolchildren, kupuna, and families, traveling to nearby
7 destinations; and

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9 WHEREAS, all three intersections serve as key pedestrian
10 corridors to Ala Wai Elementary School, Ala Wai Park, and 'Iolani
11 School; and

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13 WHEREAS, the University Avenue and Hiihawai Street and
14 Kamoku Street and Hiihawai Street intersections are three-way
15 stops, which can create confusion for drivers and present
16 hazards for pedestrians attempting to cross safely; and

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18 WHEREAS, the Lauiki Street and Hiihawai Street intersection
19 has only a single stop sign on Lauiki Street, with no stop
20 control for vehicles traveling on Hiihawai Street, and currently
21 features only a painted crosswalk, making it especially
22 vulnerable to speeding and inattentive driving; and

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24 WHEREAS, students walking to Ala Wai Elementary School
25 regularly use the Lauiki Street crossing, making it a critical
26 safety point that lacks adequate traffic-calming infrastructure;
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1 WHEREAS, raised crosswalks are a proven safety measure that
 2 physically slow vehicles, improve pedestrian visibility, and
 3 alert drivers to the presence of crossings, especially in school
 4 zones and high-foot-traffic areas; and

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 6 WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu has adopted Vision
 7 Zero goals that include a commitment to eliminating traffic
 8 fatalities and serious injuries through infrastructure that
 9 prioritizes pedestrian and bicycle safety; now, therefore,

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 11 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 12 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
 13 of 2026, that the Department of Transportation Services for the
 14 City and County of Honolulu is urged to install raised
 15 crosswalks at the University Avenue, Lauiki Street, and Kamoku
 16 Street intersections with Hihiwai Street to improve pedestrian
 17 safety near Ala Wai Elementary School and the surrounding
 18 community; and

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 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 21 Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City and County of
 22 Honolulu, Councilmember of the Honolulu City Council
 23 representing District 5, Director of the Department of
 24 Transportation Services for the City and County of Honolulu,
 25 Interim Police Chief of the Honolulu Police Department,
 26 Principal of Ala Wai Elementary School, and Head of School of
 27 'Iolani School.

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