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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO TAKE NECESSARY STEPS
TO FINALIZE, PRIORITIZE, AND MATERIALIZE THE MAKAKILO DRIVE
EXTENSION PROJECT.

1 WHEREAS, the continued population growth in the Makakilo
2 and greater Kapolei area has led to increased traffic congestion
3 along existing access routes, particularly along Makakilo Drive
4 and Farrington Highway; and
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6 WHEREAS, a 2009 environmental impact statement regarding
7 potential avenues to relieve traffic congestion found that an
8 extension proposed as part of greater planning for the Makakilo
9 and Kapolei areas would not have significant adverse
10 environmental impacts to native flora and fauna, existing land
11 use, historical or cultural resources, and public services and
12 facilities; and
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14 WHEREAS, while there has been long-standing advocacy from
15 Makakilo residents and community members who have, for many
16 years, requested that the extension project be completed, and
17 despite various legislation proposed over the course of the last
18 decade, no extension project to address the increased traffic
19 congestion has materialized; and
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21 WHEREAS, it is a priority of the State to improve the
22 regional connectivity between Makakilo, Kapolei, and the
23 surrounding West Oahu communities; now, therefore,
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
26 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2026,
27 that the City and County of Honolulu, including the Department
28 of Transportation Services and other appropriate agencies, is
29 requested to take necessary steps to finalize, prioritize, and
30 materialize the Makakilo Drive Extension Project; and
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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City and County of Honolulu
33 is encouraged to establish a clear timeline for the project that
34 includes planning updates, funding identification, design, and
35 construction phases; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City and County of Honolulu is requested to submit a report, including a status update and implementation timeline for the project, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, Director of the Department of Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu, and Chair of the Honolulu City Council.

OFFERED BY: *Mike Gabbard*

