SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT MAALAEA BEACH LOTS, WAIKAPU, WAILUKU, MAUI, FOR THE EXISTING SEAWALL AND ROCK REVETMENT, AND FOR USE, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, AND REMOVAL OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON.

WHEREAS, a portion of the existing seawall and rock revetment fronting the property identified as Tax Map Key: (2) 3-8-014: seaward of 022, Maalaea Beach Lots, Waikapu, Wailuku, Maui, is on state submerged lands; and

WHEREAS, around August 2015, the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands worked with the property owners, the Association of Apartment Owners of Milowai-Maalaea, to resolve the encroachment; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands indicated they would support a long-term easement to resolve the encroachment because the seawall has no discernable effect on beach and recreational resources, and does not act as a detriment to public access; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands has determined that no improvement would be gained by removing the encroaching seawall because there are similar seawalls neighboring the property and to the east stretching along the shoreline of Maalaea Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands has determined the encroachment serves as primary erosion control for potentially threatened structures, but that impacts to the adjacent and upland developments must also be considered; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of October 9, 2015, under agenda item D-6, the Board of Land and Natural Resources approved a grant of a fifty-five year term, non-exclusive easement to resolve the seawall and rock revetment encroachment, and authorized the easement to run with the land and inure to the benefit of the abutting real property; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of January 8, 2021, under agenda item D-5, the Board of Land and Natural Resources approved an amendment to the Board action of October 9, 2015, item D-6, to shorten the term of the easement from fifty-five to twenty-five years, or in the event the applicant is not successful in acquiring the fee or obtaining an extension of the ground lease of the abutting apartment property, to end on December 31, 2038, concurrent with the expiration of the ground lease for the abutting apartment property; and

WHEREAS, the total encroachment area was determined to be 1,737 square feet as reviewed and approved by the Department of Accounting and General Services' Survey Division; and

WHEREAS, section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires the prior approval of the Governor and prior authorization of the Legislature by Concurrent Resolution to lease state submerged lands; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Board of Land and Natural Resources is hereby authorized to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering a portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as Tax Map Key: (2) 3-8-014: seaward of 022, Maalaea Beach Lots, Waikapu, Wailuku, Maui, for the existing seawall and rock revetment, and for use, maintenance, repair, replacement, and removal of the existing improvements constructed thereon pursuant to section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Land and Natural Resources is requested to require the easement to provide for either public access to the shoreline from the grass next to the seawall or for the installation of a railing along the top of

the seawall to allow the public lateral access to the shoreline;
and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
Board of Land and Natural Resources.