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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION TO COMPLETE THE 2006 ARCHAEOLOGICAL WORKING GROUP'S REPORT AND EXPAND THE WORKING GROUP AND TO WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA'S APPLIED ARCHAEOLOGY GRADUATE PROGRAM TO DEVELOP AN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS.

1 WHEREAS, historic preservation in Hawaii is presently in a  
2 condition of unprecedented confusion and disarray, making it  
3 nearly impossible for the State to meet its cultural obligations  
4 and legislative mandates to manage historical properties for the  
5 benefit of the various descendent communities; and

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7 WHEREAS, the discovery, identification, and preservation of  
8 archaeological sites, human burial sites, and other historic  
9 properties are increasingly threatened; and

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11 WHEREAS, the recent acceleration of development, which  
12 often requires cultural resource management, shows no signs of  
13 abating in the foreseeable future; and

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15 WHEREAS, with careful planning and open lines of  
16 communication among archaeologists, developers, descendent  
17 communities, and state officials, few properties and sites would  
18 be disturbed, and when disturbance does occur, response could be  
19 in a culturally sensitive and productive fashion; and

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21 WHEREAS, the severe shortage of historic preservation  
22 professionals, particularly credentialed archaeologists,  
23 exacerbates the historic preservation crisis; and

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25 WHEREAS, protecting the State's cultural and historic  
26 heritage requires support of university programs to train the  
27 next generation of archaeologists with solid professional  
28 skills, ethical standards, and cultural knowledge; now,  
29 therefore,

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2 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth  
3 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2009, the  
4 House of Representatives concurring, that the State Historic  
5 Preservation Division is requested to:

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7 (1) Revive the 2006 archaeological working group, compile  
8 and amend its recommendations, and complete its  
9 report; provided that the working group shall report  
10 to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to  
11 the convening of the Regular Session of 2010 on the  
12 outcomes as contained in the report; and  
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14 (2) Expand the membership of the working group to include  
15 a broader cross-section of the State's historic  
16 preservation community, such as, Kamehameha Schools,  
17 the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, archaeologists from  
18 private cultural resource management firms, and  
19 archaeologists and historic preservation officials of  
20 state, county, and federal agencies; and  
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in conjunction with the  
23 University of Hawaii at Manoa's applied archaeology graduate  
24 program, the State Historic Preservation Division is requested  
25 to:

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27 (1) Develop a plan for an applied archaeology internship  
28 program that will be accessible to students throughout  
29 the system;  
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31 (2) Identify professional development and certification  
32 requirements that should be established for personnel  
33 of the State Historic Preservation Division and  
34 contractors of the Division; and  
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36 (3) Identify possible training and educational  
37 opportunities to be offered to Burial Council members  
38 to assist them in performing their duties; and  
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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
41 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Administrator for  
42 the State Historic Preservation Division and the Faculty  
43 Director for the Applied Archaeology program in the Department  
44 of Anthropology at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

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