
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE GOVERNOR TO RELEASE OR RESTORE FUNDS TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FOR EARLY EDUCATION PROGRAM
FOR THE HOMELESS CHILDREN ON THE LEEWARD COAST OF OAHU.

1 WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services provides crucial
2 financial support to the Partners in Development Foundation,
3 which assists homeless families on the Leeward Coast of Oahu
4 through the Ka Pa'alana Traveling Preschool and Homeless Family
5 Education Program ("Ka Pa'alana"); and
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7 WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services has given notice
8 to the Partners in Development Foundation of its intention to
9 terminate the contract that provides funding for Ka Pa'alana due
10 to a lack of available funds; and
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12 WHEREAS, Ka Pa'alana delivers or provides access to
13 essential services, such as a modified center-based preschool
14 experience that provides services such as testing, portfolio
15 assessment, referrals for health and developmental needs of pre-
16 school children; and
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18 WHEREAS, eliminating the Department of Human Services
19 funding for Ka Pa'alana will severely diminish direct services to
20 nearly 800 pre-school children; and
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22 WHEREAS, eliminating Department of Human Services funding
23 for Ka Pa'alana will eliminate 15 to 20 full-time positions at
24 the Partners in Development Foundation; now, therefore,
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26 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
27 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
28 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Governor of the State
29 of Hawaii is requested to release the funds that are necessary
30 for the Department of Human Services to fulfill SUPPLEMENTAL
31 CONTRACT NO. 1 to provide Early Childhood Education through the



1 Ka Pa'alana Outreach Project on the Leeward Coast (DHS-10-ETPO-
2 159); or, if the release of the full amount of funding necessary
3 to fulfill the contract is not possible, then the Governor is
4 requested to restructure the executive budget or otherwise allow
5 services provided through the Ka Pa'alana Traveling Preschool and
6 Homeless Family Education Program to continue until the end of
7 fiscal year 2010-2011, and consult with the Partners in
8 Development Foundation to develop a plan to continue these
9 services through fiscal year 2011-2012; and

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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
12 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor of the
13 State of Hawaii, Director of Human Services, and Chairperson of
14 the Board of Directors of the Partners in Development
15 Foundation.

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