
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO WAIVE ALL FINES
RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION OF THE KUPUNA
TERRACE IN WAIMANALO.

1 WHEREAS, for decades the Waimanalo community has asked for
2 a beachside terrace and safe place for seniors and families to
3 congregate; and
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5 WHEREAS, the community thoroughly cleaned and prepared a
6 site under the jurisdiction of the Department of Hawaiian Home
7 Lands overlooking Rabbit Island that had been littered for
8 decades by illegal dumping and overgrown invasive vegetation;
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11 WHEREAS, in the best of Hawaiian traditions, the Waimanalo
12 community came together to volunteer hundreds of work hours and
13 donate more than \$50,000 in construction materials to build a
14 scenic park, named Kupuna Terrace, with eleven picnic tables for
15 public use after receiving permission from the Department of
16 Hawaiian Home Lands to remove trash and cut overgrown vegetation
17 from the land; and
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19 WHEREAS, Kupuna Terrace offered a peaceful and scenic
20 reprieve that connected residents and visitors to the land and
21 sea; and
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23 WHEREAS, Kupuna Terrace was a source of pride for the
24 Waimanalo community, stood as a monument to strong community
25 collaboration, and served as a model for what the community
26 could accomplish without government assistance; and
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28 WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu believes that the
29 placement and structures of Kupuna Terrace were dangerous due to
30 the sloping terrain, proximity to Kalanianaʻole Highway, and
31 limited parking; and



1 WHEREAS, the Waimanalo community is making every effort to
 2 work with the City and County of Honolulu to clear all remaining
 3 material and restore what was Kupuna Terrace back to its
 4 original state; now, therefore,
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6 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 7 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
 8 of 2012, that the City and County of Honolulu is requested to
 9 waive all fees and fines that the Waimanalo community has
 10 incurred or may incur in relation to the construction and
 11 demolition of the Kupuna Terrace; and
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City and County of Honolulu
 14 is requested to allow adequate time for the proper restoration
 15 of this collaborative effort; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
 18 Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City and County of
 19 Honolulu.
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