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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE, CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, AND EWA BEACH  
COMMUNITY TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF FERAL CATS IN THE EWA  
BEACH AREA.

1 WHEREAS, feral cat colonies are a persistent problem across  
2 the island of Oahu; and

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4 WHEREAS, feral cats prey on native birds and insects; and

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6 WHEREAS, according to the International Union for the  
7 Conservation of Nature, feral cats are listed among the most  
8 harmful invasive species globally; and

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10 WHEREAS, feral cats are hosts to vectors for toxoplasmosis,  
11 a parasitic infection that is an identified threat to endangered  
12 native species, including the Hawaiian goose, known as the nene;  
13 the Hawaiian crow, known as the alala; and the Hawaiian monk  
14 seal; and

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16 WHEREAS, toxoplasmosis also poses a potentially fatal  
17 health risk to children and adults, especially those who enjoy  
18 recreational activity at park spaces located near feral cat  
19 colonies and the Ke Aina Kai playground; and

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21 WHEREAS, any ongoing attempts to reduce or eliminate feral  
22 cat colonies on the island of Oahu have proven unsuccessful; and

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24 WHEREAS, individuals across the island of Oahu trespass on  
25 private properties to feed feral cats, thereby contributing to  
26 the persistence of feral cats on the island; and

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28 WHEREAS, the residents of Mariners Place Townhomes, the  
29 only residential community that shares a property line with the  
30 Ewa Beach Shopping Center, have been plagued by feral cats which  
31 roam the community urinating and defecating around homes,



1 leaving strong odors and damaging automobile paint and window  
2 screens; now, therefore,

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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first  
5 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, the  
6 House of Representatives concurring, that the State; City and  
7 County of Honolulu; and Ewa Beach community, including  
8 residents, community organizations, and property owners and  
9 managers, address the ongoing issue of feral cats in the Ewa  
10 Beach area; and

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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaiian Humane Society is  
13 requested to collaborate with other animal rights groups and  
14 private property owners and managers, including the management  
15 company that oversees the Ewa Beach Shopping Center, as  
16 necessary to eliminate or relocate the feral cat colony located  
17 at the shopping center; and

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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ewa Beach Shopping Center  
20 property management company, or its representative, is requested  
21 to provide regular updates to the Ewa Beach Neighborhood Board  
22 on the company's progress in addressing the feral cat colony  
23 located at the shopping center; and

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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
26 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City  
27 and County of Honolulu; Honolulu City Council; President and  
28 Chief Executive Officer of the Hawaiian Humane Society; and  
29 Property Manager of the Ewa Beach Shopping Center.

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