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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

CONVENING A WORKING GROUP TO UPDATE PLANS FOR THE MAUNALUA-  
MAKAPUU SCENIC BYWAY AND CONSOLIDATE MANAGEMENT ALONG THE  
KAIWI COAST SCENIC SHORELINE.

1           WHEREAS, a 6.8 mile stretch of Kalanianaʻole Highway (State  
2 Highway 72) that runs through the Kaiwi coast lands and wraps  
3 around the eastern tip of Oahu between the communities of  
4 Maunaloa (Hawaii Kai) and Waimanalo have been designated the  
5 Maunaloa-Makapuu Scenic Byway; and  
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7           WHEREAS, the lands of the Kaiwi coast are an invaluable  
8 natural asset for the people of Hawaii, framed by dramatic  
9 mauka-to-makai views and natural landscapes, cultural and  
10 historic features, popular recreational areas, and landmarks  
11 such as Koko Crater, Hanauma Bay, Makapuu Lighthouse, the lava  
12 tube known as Halona Blowhole, and the last wild and undeveloped  
13 coastal lands in east Oahu; and  
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15           WHEREAS, numerous community members and organizations such  
16 as the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board, Ka Iwi Coalition, Liveable  
17 Hawaii Kai Hui, and many others have fought long and hard over  
18 many decades to protect and preserve this unspoiled area for  
19 future generations and secure the scenic byway designation; and  
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21           WHEREAS, a growing interest in this area of Oahu has  
22 brought a rapid increase in visitors to the Kaiwi coast, and  
23 without proper management the area will inevitably become  
24 overrun by parking, invasive species, commercial interests, or  
25 become subject to other future challenges; and  
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27           WHEREAS, the Kaiwi coastal area and the Maunaloa-Makapuu  
28 Scenic Byway is a patchwork of disparate landowners, managers,  
29 and conflicting jurisdictions; and  
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1 WHEREAS, collaboration between community organizations and  
2 government agencies is necessary to develop a plan to  
3 consolidate management to address these myriad issues, such as  
4 managing human impacts, preventing invasive species, and  
5 restoring the Wawamalu dune system, to better protect and  
6 preserve this area for future generations; now, therefore,  
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8 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first  
9 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, the  
10 House of Representatives concurring, that a Maunaloa-Makapuu  
11 Scenic Byway and Kaiwi coast working group be convened to  
12 develop a plan to address ongoing issues in the Maunaloa-Makapuu  
13 Scenic Byway and Kaiwi coastal area and consolidate management  
14 to better protect and preserve this critical resource for future  
15 generations; and  
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Maunaloa-Makapuu Scenic  
18 Byway and Kaiwi coast working group be comprised of the  
19 following members or their designees:  
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- 21 (1) The Administrator of the Division of State Parks, who  
22 shall serve as co-chair;  
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- 24 (2) The Chairperson of the Senate Standing Committee on  
25 Transportation, who shall serve as co-chair;  
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- 27 (3) The Director of Transportation;  
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- 29 (4) Three representatives of different community groups  
30 who helped create the Maunaloa-Makapuu Scenic Byway  
31 and Kaiwi Coast Master Plans; and  
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- 33 (5) A member with knowledge of the cultural history of the  
34 area; and  
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36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the co-chairs of the Maunaloa-  
37 Makapuu Scenic Byway and Kaiwi coast working group are requested  
38 to invite representatives of the City and County of Honolulu and  
39 any other parties to participate on the working group as  
40 necessary; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Maunalua-Makapuu Scenic  
2 Byway and Kaiwi coast working group is requested to develop a  
3 plan to:

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- 5 (1) Consolidate management of the Maunalua-Makapuu Scenic
- 6 Byway and Kaiwi coast area;
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- 8 (2) Address unauthorized vehicular access in the Maunalua-
- 9 Makapuu Scenic Byway and Kaiwi coast area;
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- 11 (3) Provide for safe and protected pedestrian and bicycle
- 12 access across the length of the Maunalua-Makapuu
- 13 Scenic Byway through the Kaiwi coast scenic shoreline
- 14 from Makapuu lookout to Hanauma Bay;
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- 16 (4) Provide for proper signage, narrative, and education
- 17 about the Maunalua-Makapuu Scenic Byway and Kaiwi
- 18 coast area and its history; and
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- 20 (5) Take appropriate steps to preserve and protect the
- 21 Maunalua-Makapuu Scenic Byway and Kaiwi coast area in
- 22 its wild and natural state, and to provide or limit
- 23 access and manage visitors as may be necessary; and
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Maunalua-Makapuu Scenic  
26 Byway and Kaiwi coast working group is requested to submit a  
27 report of its findings and recommendations regarding the status  
28 and progress of plans to consolidate management and address  
29 ongoing issues in the Maunalua-Makapuu Scenic Byway and Kaiwi  
30 coast area to the Legislature prior to the convening of each  
31 Regular Session; and

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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Maunalua-  
34 Makapuu Scenic Byway and Kaiwi coast working group serve without  
35 compensation; and

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37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Maunalua-Makapuu Scenic  
38 Byway and Kaiwi coast working group be dissolved on July 1,  
39 2023; and

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41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
42 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor,



- 1 Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, Director
- 2 of Transportation, and Chairperson of the Hawaii Kai No. 1
- 3 Neighborhood Board.

