HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY TO ADDRESS MAJOR CONCERNS ALONG KALIHI STREET.

WHEREAS, in recent years, the poor condition of Honolulu's streets has been widely criticized; and

WHEREAS, streets have fallen into a state of disrepair, thereby creating a safety concern for homeowners, renters, and pedestrians as well as anguish for drivers and sometimes causing damage to their vehicles; and

WHEREAS, while the City and County of Honolulu has taken great strides to clear the backlog of much-needed street repairs and repaving, some areas are still in need of remedial attention; and

WHEREAS, one of these areas is Kalihi, where numerous side streets are in need of repair and repaving; and

WHEREAS, from Kalihi Uka Elementary School through Kalihi Valley, children walk to and from school on roadways with no sidewalks, or they cross streets without pedestrian lights; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008, that the City and County of Honolulu is requested to conduct a feasibility study to address major concerns along Kalihi Street; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the feasibility study focus specifically on:

(1) Widening, through eminent domain, Kalihi Street, beginning from Kalihi Uka Elementary School to Kalihi Valley Park at the end of Kalihi Valley;

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(2) Construction of sidewalks along the section of Kalihi Street described in item (1); and

Removing telephone poles along the section of Kalihi Street described in item (1) and, instead, placing electrical and telecommunications wires underground;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City and County of Honolulu s requested to submit a report of its findings and ecommendations to the Legislature no later than 20 days prior the convening of the Regular Session of 2009; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this esolution be transmitted to the Mayor and the chairperson of ne City Council of the City and County of Honolulu.

OFFERED BY:

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