HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO INVESTIGATE AND ASSIST IN THE RESOLUTION OF THE ISSUE OF OWNERSHIP OF ULALENA LOOP ROAD, AND REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO SUBMIT A REPORT ON THE ESTIMATED COST OF REPAVING ULALENA LOOP ROAD.

WHEREAS, the safety of residents of the Haiku district of Maui County may be at risk because of the condition of Ulalena Loop Road, which desperately needs repaving; and

WHEREAS, a jurisdictional dispute exists over the ownership of the road, resulting in a corresponding lack of maintenance of the Ulalena Loop Road; and

WHEREAS, regarding ownership of Ulalena Loop Road, the Department of Land and Natural Resources defers to the Department of Transportation, which claims that Ulalena Loop Road is the responsibility of Maui County; and

WHEREAS, the matter of jurisdictional responsibility must be resolved to provide necessary public services to residents of the Haiku area and to avoid future threats to their safety and well-being; 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 Department of the Attorney General is requested to investigate and make a determination on the issue of ownership of Ulalena Loop Road; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of the Attorney General is requested to submit a report of all findings and recommendations to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2009; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is requested to submit a report containing an estimate of the cost of repaving Ulalena Loop Road to the

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Legislature, and to the Mayor and the Maui County Council, no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2009; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the resolution of the issue of ownership of Ulalena Loop Road, and no less than thirty days after the Department of Transportation receives the Department of the Attorney General's report regarding jurisdiction over Ulalena Loop Road, the Department of Transportation is requested to forward its report on the estimated cost of repaving Ulalena Loop Road to the government agency identified as having jurisdiction over Ulalena Loop Road and its maintenance and repair; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Attorney General, the Director of Transportation, the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Mayor of Maui, and the Chairperson of the Maui County Council.

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