## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO INSTALL ADDITIONAL BICYCLE RACKS AT STATE PARKS.

WHEREAS, bicycling is an activity with many benefits accruing to individuals and communities, such as:

(1) Supporting and enhancing physical health in an outdoor environment through exercise and recreation;

(2) Providing a convenient, effective, and alternative form of transportation that helps reduce traffic congestion and parking requirements; and

(3) An environmentally-friendly activity that does not rely on the consumption of fossil fuels and produces no pollution; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii's position supporting bicycling is reflected in its plans, including the 1996 Hawaii State Plan, the 2002 Hawaii Statewide Transportation Plan, and the 2003 Bike Plan Hawaii, a plan that has an overall goal to establish bicycling as a safe and convenient mode of transportation for residents and visitors throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, in response to a telephone survey conducted for the 2003 Bike Plan Hawaii, respondents on Oahu stated that bicycle parking was one of the top three changes desired in order to make Hawaii more bicycle-friendly; and

WHEREAS, the State recognizes the importance of bicycle parking, as noted in 2003 Bike Plan Hawaii that, "Secure bicycle parking ... must be provided at important bicycle destinations. These would include major employment and shopping centers, schools and universities, cultural and recreational centers ..."; and

 WHEREAS, installing bicycle racks is more cost-effective per bicycle rack than the design and construction of a single stall in an automobile parking; 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 Land and Natural Resources is urged to install additional bicycle racks at state parks; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and Natural Resources is requested to obtain assistance from the Hawaii Bicycling League to identify the state parks with the greatest demand for bicycle racks and the recommended location within these parks that would most benefit bicyclists; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources and the Executive Director of the Hawaii Bicycling League.

OFFERED BY:

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