# STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES Land Division Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

April 26, 2024

Board of Land and Natural Resources State of Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii

Oahu

Authorize the Deregistration from Land Court, Certificate of Title No. 490,888; Tax Map Keys: (1) 9-1-016:008, por., (1) 9-1-017:097, (1) 9-1-018:008 & 014:

- A. Lot 2543, Map 245, Land Court Application No. 1069
- B. Lot 10067-A-1, Map 1372, Land Court Application No. 1069
- C. Lot 18060, Map 1409, Land Court Application No. 1069
- D. Lot 11994-A, Map 1632, Land Court Application No. 1069

and Certificate of Title No. 908,339; Tax Map Keys: (1) 9-1-017:108 & 160:

- E. Lot 18064, Map 1410, Land Court Application No. 1069
- E. Lot 19894, Map 1667, Land Court Application No. 1069

#### APPLICANT:

Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department)

#### **LEGAL AUTHORITY:**

Sections 171-6 and 501-261.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS)

#### **LOCATION & AREA:**

These parcels are situated at Honouliuli, Ewa, Oahu, and further described below:

Land Court	Tax Map Key	Acres	Exhibit
	(TMK)		
Lot 2543, Map 245,	(1) 9-1-016:008	31.527	A
Ap. No. 1069			
Lot 10067-A-1, Map	(1) 9-1-017:097	36.365	В
1372, Ap. No. 1069			
Lot 18060, Map	(1) 9-1-018:008	40.731	С
1409, Ap. No. 1069			
Lot 11994-A, Map	(1) 9-1-018:014	59.088	D
1632, Ap. No. 1069			
Lot 18064, Map	(1) 9-1-017:008	11.942	Е
1410, Ap. No. 1069			
Lot 19894, Map	(1) 9-1-017:160	17.905	F
1667, Ap. No. 1069			

#### BACKGROUND:

In 1936, Trustees under the Will and the Estate of James Campbell, deceased, registered portions of the Ahupuaa of Honouliuli, Ewa, Oahu, in Land Court, pursuant to Land Court Application No. 1069.

The Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) initially approved the acquisition of over 4,000 acres in Kapolei from Campbell Estate at its July 22, 1988 meeting, under agenda item F-9. Subsequently, after lengthy negotiations, the Office of State Planning and Campbell Estate reached an agreement for the State to acquire a total of 1,236 acres. The Board ultimately approved this acquisition at its April 26, 1991 meeting, under agenda item F-13. The acquisition was intended for developing housing, public facilities, and land banking in anticipation of the growth of Oahu's master planned second city. By Final Order of Condemnation dated August 22, 1994, and Stipulated Final Judgment in Eminent Domain dated July 19, 1994, the State acquired title to 1,100 acres including the subject parcels for the sum of \$31.7 million.

Over the intervening years, lands were subdivided out from the originally acquired acreage and transferred to various State agencies including the Departments of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) and Education (DOE), and the University of Hawaii (UH) as part of the ongoing development of Kapolei as Oahu's master planned second city. The Department retained the parcels described in Exhibits A-D and is in the process of developing them into a mixed-use complex to create housing and generate revenue to support the Department's mission to conserve and manage Hawaii's unique cultural, natural, and historic resources for the benefit of future generations.

In addition to the parcels retained by the Department for development, DOE holds the parcels described as Lot 18064, Map 1410, and Lot 19894, Map 1667, Land Court Application No. 1069, described in Exhibits E and F. Lot 18064 is designated for an elementary school yet to be constructed and Lot 19894 houses Honouliuli Middle School. DOE has requested that staff include its parcels in this deregistration request.

### REMARKS:

The subject lots were registered in Land Court by the Estate of James Campbell. The State of Hawaii acquired the fee interest from the successor landowner by order of condemnation in 1994. For purposes of Section 501-261.5, HRS, the State is a self-insured sovereign. There is no obvious downside to deregistering the subject lots from Land Court.

The principal benefit of land registered with Land Court versus the regular system is that a landowner cannot lose title via adverse possession. The State, however, by virtue of its sovereign character, cannot lose title to land via adverse possession, irrespective of whether the land is registered in Land Court.

The downside to keeping the subject lots in Land Court is the lengthy backlog at Land Court which frequently causes delays, the need to obtain additional surveys and documents that would not be required in the regular system, and the need to navigate Land Court procedures.

This request represents a continuation of a larger initiative to deregister lands formerly owned by the Estate of James Campbell from Land Court to expedite planned development in Kapolei. At its meeting of October 24, 2022, under Agenda Item M-15, the Board considered and approved a similar request from DHHL to deregister the parcels transferred to it as noted above.

To accelerate the Department's development process, staff is requesting that the Board authorize the deregistration from Land Court of the lots listed below as noted on Certificate of Title Nos. 490,888 and 908,339.

# <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: That the Board:

- 1. Authorize the deregistration of Certificate of Title No. 490,888:
  - A. Lot 2543, Map 245, Land Court Application No. 1069
  - B. Lot 10067-A-1, Map 1372, Land Court Application No. 1069
  - C. Lot 18060, Map 1409, Land Court Application No. 1069
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and Certificate of Title No. 908,339

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Respectfully Submitted,

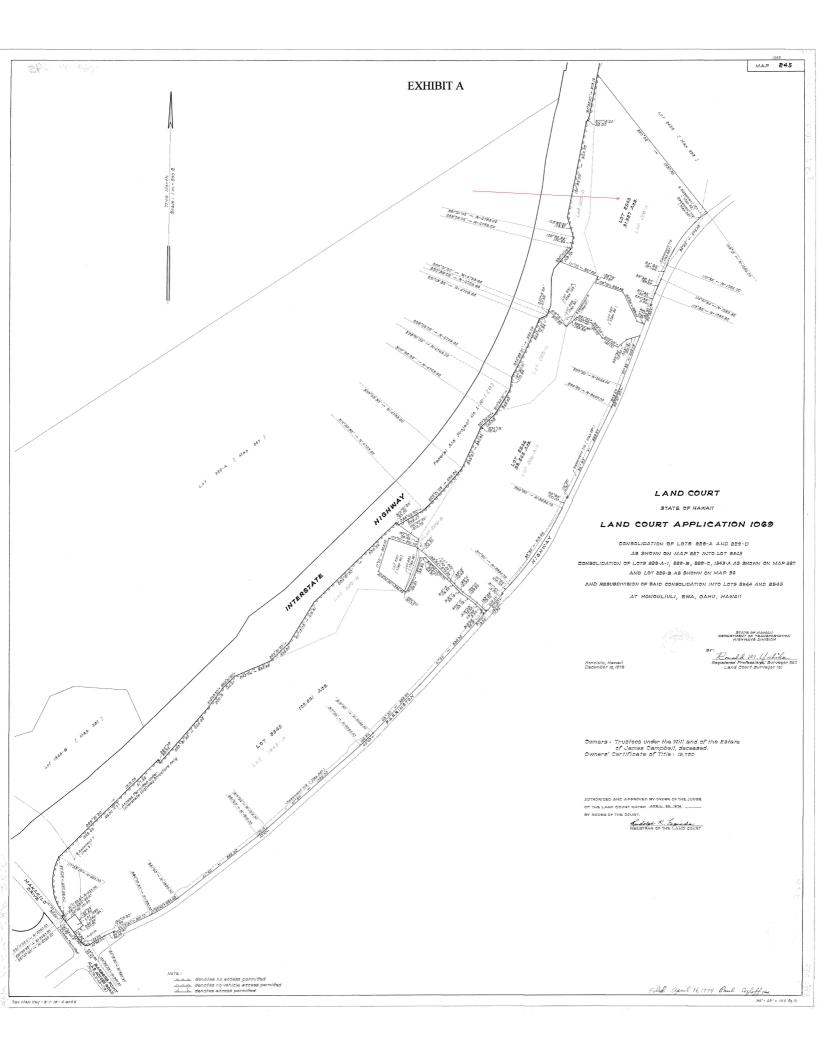
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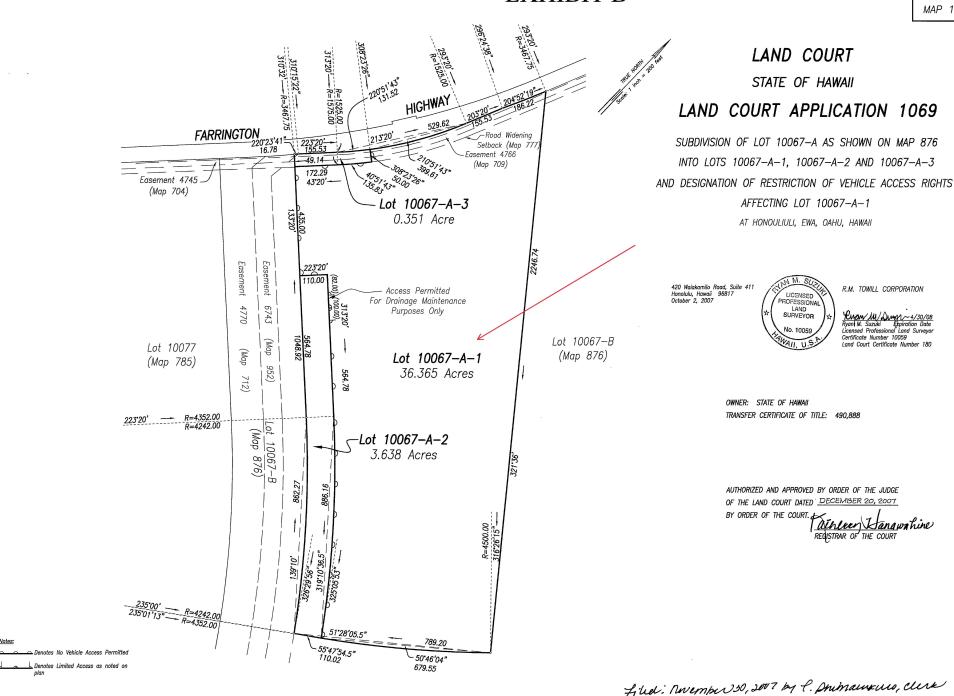
Luke J. Sarvis Project Development Specialist

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

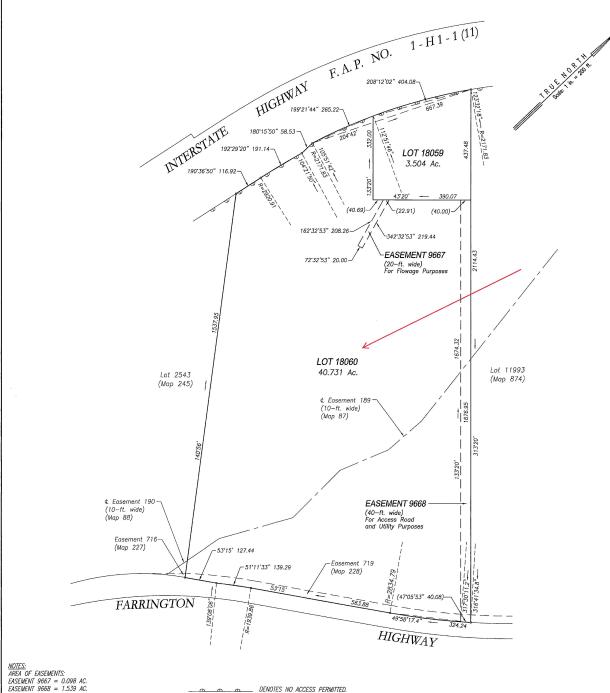
Dawn N.S. Chang, Chairperson



MAP 1372



1069



DENOTES NO ACCESS PERMITTED

# LAND COURT STATE OF HAWAII

LAND COURT APPLICATION 1069

SUBDIVISION OF LOT 11992 AS SHOWN ON MAP 874

INTO LOT 18059 AND LOT 18060

AND DESIGNATION OF EASEMENTS 9667 AND 9668

AFFECTING LOT 18060

AT HONOULIULI, EWA, OAHU, HAWAII

735 Bishop Street, Suite 330 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 September 19, 2006

LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR ACE LAND SURVEYING LLC

Kevin K. Kea Licensed Professiona Land Surveyor

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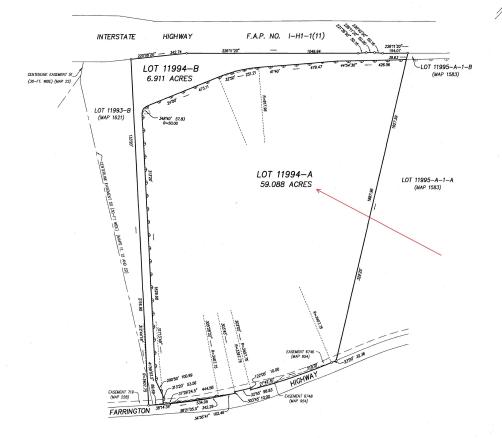
Certificate No. 10928 Land Court Certificate No. 286

OWNER: STATE OF HAWAII, by its Board of Land and Natural Resources TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE: 490.888

AUTHORIZED AND APPROVED BY ORDER OF THE JUDGE OF THE LAND COURT DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 2008 BY ORDER OF THE COURT.

TMK: 9-1-18: 03

# **EXHIBIT D**



LAND COURT STATE OF HAWAII LAND COURT APPLICATION 1069

SUBDIVISION OF LOT 11994 AS SHOWN ON MAP 874 INTO LOTS 11994-A AND 11994-B AND CANCELLATION OF A PORTION OF RESTRICTION OF ACCESS RIGHTS AFFECTING LOT 2496 AS SHOWN ON MAP 228 AND DESIGNATION OF RESTRICTION OF ACCESS RIGHTS AFFECTING LOT 11994-A

AT HONOULIULI, EWA, OAHU, HAWAII

R.M. TOWILL CORPORATION

OWNER: STATE OF HAWAII TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE: 490,888

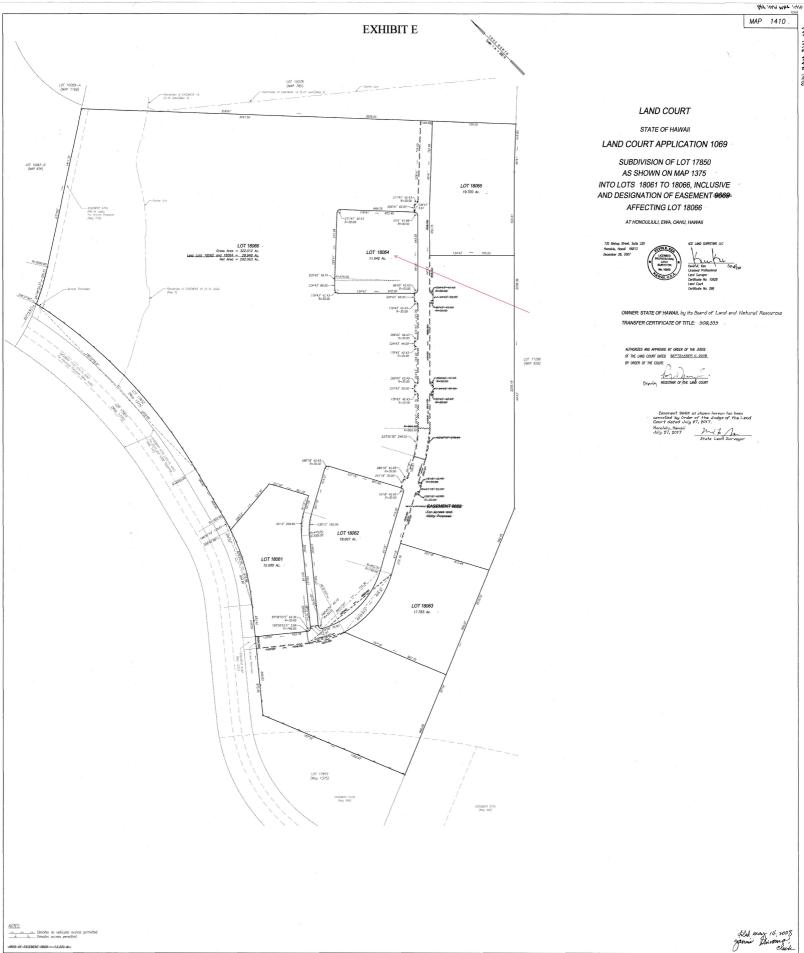
AUTHORIZED AND APPROVED BY ORDER OF THE JUDGE OF THE LAND COURT DATED JANUARY 28, 2015
BY ORDER OF THE COURT.

NOTES:

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