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Board of Land and Natural Resources
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Land Board Members:

Subject: AMEND PRIOR BOARD ACTION OF MAY 13, 2022, TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE CHAIRPERSON TO NEGOTIATE AND SIGN FACILITY USE AGREEMENTS AND MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENTS WITH DOCARE TRAINING ACADEMY PROGRAM PARTNERS, FOR THE USE OF ANY AGREEMENTS WITH ANY FEDERAL OR GOVERNMENT AGENCY, STATE AND COUNTY, FOR THE USE OF THE HAWAII CONVENTION CENTER, ALOHA STADIUM FACILITIES, AND THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII FOR EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT AND USE OF THE MARINE EDUCATION AND TRAINING CENTER, THAT IS NECESSARY TO CONDUCT THE DOCARE TRAINING ACADEMY PROGRAM FOR ENTRY LEVEL CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER I POSITIONS, FROM JULY 11, 2022 TO MARCH 31, 2023, AND FOR FUTURE TRAINING ACADEMIES

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that the Board also delegates authority to the Chairperson to negotiate and enter into agreements with federal, state, and county agencies, for the use of their facilities for the DOCARE Training Academy program.

BACKGROUND:

Enforcement is critical in the protection of Hawai'i's natural and cultural resources.

ITEM B-1

The DOCARE Training Academy, which was first established in 2020, provides necessary and extensive training for CREO I hires with no prior law enforcement experience.¹ The academy runs approximately seven months.

The DOCARE Training Academy is scheduled to host its fifth academy in June 2026.

Coordinating the academy has been increasingly challenging as some of the government facilities which were used in the past are no longer available. DOCARE works to identify appropriate government facilities for its academy program because they tend to be more cost effective and appropriate for this purpose. The delegation would provide DOCARE with the necessary flexibility to schedule and operate its academy.

The Board has made several delegations of authority to the Chairperson over the years for the academy. Most recently, the Board delegated authority to the Chairperson to procure and contract for goods and services necessary for the academy, which could include lodging, training facilities, equipment, and training materials.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

1. Clarifies that the delegation of authority to the Chairperson includes the authority to negotiate and enter into agreements with federal, state, and county agencies, for the use of their facilities for the DOCARE Training Academy program.

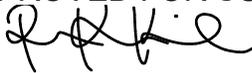
Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



for Dawn N.S. Chang, Chairperson
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¹ The prior academies have graduated 77 CREO I officers, with 69 still with DOCARE.