REQUESTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE ALTERNATE SITES FOR A PLAYGROUND SERVING THE KAKAAKO AREA.

WHEREAS, as part of the Ala Moana Regional Park and Magic Island Improvements project, the Administration of the City and County of Honolulu ("City") has proposed a large playground in Ala Moana Regional Park between the Diamond Head concession building and the Hawaiian Pond; and

WHEREAS, the playground, as currently proposed, could accommodate approximately 500 children and include zip lines, slides, swings, and splash pads, as well as accessible play equipment for children with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, funding for the playground is anticipated to come from community members and businesses through a nonprofit organization and be gifted to the City; and

WHEREAS, Ala Moana Regional Park has been commonly known as "The People's Park" since its inception and it has served this purpose for the nearby community as well as the greater population of Oahu; and

WHEREAS, through adoption of Resolution 19-92, FD1, the City Council ("Council") expressed its opposition to some of the proposed Ala Moana Regional Park improvements that would change the local character of the park, while maintaining its support for needed park revitalization; and

WHEREAS, many in the community have expressed concern that the proposed playground does not match the local character of the Ala Moana Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, the Council agrees that there is a need for more park and playground space to meet the needs of the growing population of the Kakaako area and to provide accessible play equipment for the children of all of Oahu; and

WHEREAS, the Council supports the development of innovative and accessible playgrounds to provide diverse play options for children of all ages and abilities; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the City Administration is requested to provide the Council with alternate sites for the development of an accessible playground principally serving the Kakaako area; and
RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, the Director of Design and Construction, and the Director of Parks and Recreation.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

OCT 14 2019

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers
CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

RESOLUTION 19-263

Introduced: 10/14/19  By: ANN KOBAYASHI

Committee: PARKS, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Title: RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE ALTERNATE SITES FOR A PLAYGROUND SERVING THE KAKAAKO AREA.

Voting Legend: *= Aye w/Reservations

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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.

GLEN I. TAKAHASHI, CITY CLERK

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