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Testimony of Philmund Lee
to
2011 Council Reapportionment Commission
City & County of Honolulu

November 10 at 4:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers at Honolulu Hale

Chair Albi P. Mateo and Members of the CRC:

I support the reapportionment map version presented by Commissioner Tito Montes. I am in opposition to splitting the Ewa Villages Historical Village in half by using Renton Road as the border between two council districts. Instead of Renton Road, the Border ought to be the one that historically been used for districting, Geiger Road. Geiger Road and below ought to be part of propose Council district 9 connected to Eastern Ewa Beach and Waipahu. And Geiger Road and above including the Ewa Villages Historical Village.

The Ewa Villages Historical Village has a special status and should not be split down the middle. The residents there are unified by their desire to preserve their special status as a registered historical district and are determine to preserve their special district in one council district.

I am testifying on my own behalf, proposing that adjustments need to be made to keep the Ewa Villages Historical District intact. The Ewa Villages Historical District are subject to special rules and laws as and are in its' entirely enjoy a special status recognized by the State Historical Preservation Office.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

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Tom Berg
Resident of Ewa Beach

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Aloha Chair Albi P. Mateo and Members of the 2011 CRC:

My name is Tom Berg and I support the reapportionment map version presented by Commissioner Tito Montes. I am in opposition to splitting the Ewa Villages Historical Village in half by using Renton Road as the border between two council districts.

Instead of Renton Road, the Border ought to be the one that historically been used for districting, Geiger Road. Geiger Road and below ought to be part of propose Council district 9 connected to Eastern Ewa Beach and Waipahu. And Geiger Road and above including the Ewa Villages Historical Village should remain in District One.

The Ewa Villages Historical Village has a special status and should not be split down the middle. The residents there are unified by their desire to preserve their special status as a registered historical district and are determine to preserve their special district in one council district.

I believe that adjustments really need to be made to keep the Ewa Villages Historical District intact. The Ewa Villages Historical District are subject to special rules and laws as and are in its entirely enjoy a special status recognized by the State Historical Preservation Office. They need to be unified when applying for special federal and state grants or foundation monies and for purposes of local laws.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

Tom Berg
Resident of Ewa Beach

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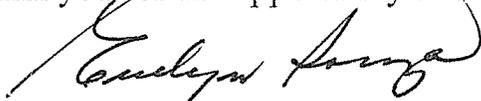
Chair Albi P. Mateo and Members of the CRC:

I support the reapportionment map version presented by Commissioner Montes and stand in opposition to splitting the Ewa Villages Historical community with the advent of a consideration that uses Renton Road as a boundary between council districts 1 and 9.

The more logical division at Geiger would serve two purposes: 1) The historical district of the Ewa Villages would remain intact and the potential to compete for future grants, appropriations would be set aside as an issue. An imposition of a boundary line down the middle of Renton Road would be counterproductive and prove divisive. 2) The Diamond Head side of Geiger Road should be part of proposed Council district 9 which would be advantageous to the residents of Ewa Beach with the end result of having two Councilmembers at their Neighborhood Board.

The Ewa Villages Historical District are subject to special rules and laws as and are in it's entirety enjoy a special status recognized by the State Historical Preservation Office. The Ewa Historical Village homes and buildings has a special status and should not be split down the middle and serve no purpose. The Ewa residents there have long standing in their unified opinion to preserve the special status of their community as a registered historical district and are determine to preserve that special distinction in the first council district of the City & County of Honolulu. In addition, the Ewa Villages are within a one mile boundary of the Historical Railway Society which is also on the Historical Registry and the Ewa Marine Corp Airfield which is destined to be added shortly.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.


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Aloha,

I understand that the City Reapportionment Committee has proposed dividing the community of Ewa Beach. As a resident of this community I am against this plan. I realize that the basis of reapportionment is based on the population; however, no community especially smaller communities should be divided. It appears that the dividing line was based on an established roadway (Ft Weaver Road); a gulch; and Kapolei Parkway. This makes an easy dividing solution but can divide communities. A quick look at the map shows that Kapolei can be separate from Ewa Beach which it should be since the communities do not have the same needs. The dividing line needs to be redrawn to keep communities separate and not drawn so it looks nice.

Mahalo for your consideration.

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Chair Albi P. Mateo and Members of the CRC:

I'm in support of the reapportionment map version presented by Commissioner Tito Montes, where the border line from Geiger to Renton and continue to the Waianae Coastline. Yet, I am in opposition to splitting the Ewa Historical Village in half by using Renton Road as the border between two council districts.

The Ewa Historic Villages has a special status and should not be split down the middle. The residents there are unified by their desire to preserve their special status as a registered historical district and are determine to preserve their special district in one council district. The Historical district has special rules and regulations and should be in one district.

I am testifying on my own behalf, proposing that adjustments need to be made to keep the Ewa Villages Historical District intact. The Ewa Villages Historical District is subject to special rules and laws as and is in it's entirely enjoying a special status recognized by the State Historical Preservation Office.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.



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