

Testimony of Chiemi Ota  
in **Support** of  
Councilmember Kymberly Pine's proposed amendment to Bill 11 adding funding for Leeward  
Coast Community Benefits Program

Honolulu City Council  
Committee on Budget  
Councilmember Ann Kobayashi, Chair  
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Bill 11 (2013), *Proposed* CD1 — Executive Operating Budget and Program

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Aloha,

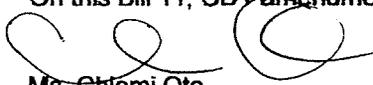
My name is Chiemi Ota,  
I write in **support** of Councilmember Kymberly Pine's proposed CD1 amendment to Bill 11 to add  
funding for Leeward Coast Community Benefits Program.

The Leeward Coast Community Benefits Program began in 2006 to offset the impact of the city's  
Waimanalo Gulch landfill on the nearby communities. The program consists of annual  
appropriations to compensate the residents in the Kapolei to Makaha areas of O'ahu who bear  
the effects of having the island's only landfill located in their geographic area.

The annual appropriations support parks and recreation programs, including culture programs,  
summer youth camps, sports and athletic programs, and other efforts that help to develop a  
respect for their leeward community.

With the City Council's support, the Leeward Coast Community Benefits Program will continue to  
offset the Waimanalo Gulch Landfill with this opportunity to provide community service, recreation  
and Hawaiian cultural programs to the Leeward Coast communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our views with you and I kindly request your support  
On this Bill 11, CD1 amendment.

  
Ms. Chiemi Ota  
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