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Written Testimony

To: Budget Committee Chair Ann H. Kobayashi & Committee Members Date: April 5, 2016 Re: Bill 14-Chair Martin's proposed \$3,840,000 amendment for the reimbursement of the purchase of Aiea Sugar Mill Aloha Chair Kobayashi & Committee Members, I am an Aiea resident who lives above the Aiea library and I support Chair Martin's proposed \$3,840,000 amendment to Bill 14 for the reimbursement of the purchase of Aiea Sugar Mill to allow for expanded public purpose and uses. This site is very special to our community and because of the library and future park development, is why my family decided to purchase our home here. In addition to being a resident, I am also the University of Hawaii's Landscape Specialist for the State. Working with the Aiea Community Association, I ran a joint CTAHR/School of Architecture 3rd year landscape architecture research design studio to produce updated Master Plans for a "Ohana Park" for the Aiea Old Sugar Mill open field site. This research based design studio analyzed past master plan

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