



Board of
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May 31, 2016

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Bill 15, CD2, June 1 at 10am
City Council Chamber
City Council of the City and County of Honolulu
Honolulu, HI 96813-3077

Diane Warncke
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In Opposition to Bill 15 CD2 FD1-Ozawa

Jeannine
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Aloha Chair Martin and Council Members, The Maunalua Fishpond Heritage Center is dedicated to the preservation and perpetuation of Maunalua's last fishponds. Kānewai Spring is a life-giving source of water for many fish and wildlife species. It feeds Kānewai Fishpond, Paikō Wildlife Sanctuary and finally Maunalua Bay. It is the last large open spring that freely flows to the ocean in Honolulu. It is also a cultural and historic piko that we have stewarded successfully for the last six years. We oppose the recent amendment to remove funding for the preservation and purchase of Kanewai Spring. This shortsighted amendment was added after seven nearby estate owners opposed the preservation and purchase of Kanewai Spring. The preservation of Kanewai Spring will not harm neighbor privacy.

Brenda Asuncion
Director

Christiane "Kauli"
Lucas
Director

Alyssa Miller
Director

Please consider the interests of the people of Hawai'i and **keep the Clean Water funding in the budget for Kānewai Spring**. Without this funding, it is very likely Kānewai Spring will be lost to private development. The City Clean Water and Natural Lands Commission has strongly recommended funding to purchase and preserve Kānewai Spring for Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. It is irreplaceable. It is here that the fresh water meets the brackish water and where many of the juvenile fish and invertebrates are born. The spring is a unique learning site for youth and community members to learn how our marine ecosystem works. Please do your part to perpetuate it!

Laura Thompson
Director

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Mahalo nui loa,

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Maunalua Fishpond Heritage Center

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