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 Council/PH Committee Council
 Agenda Item Bill 36
 Your position on the matter Oppose
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes

Bill 36, if it passes, may force Uber to cease operations in Honolulu.

I am speaking for myself, and the majority of the 5,500 other citizens of Hawaii, in saying that if it were not for Uber, I would be unable to afford living and working in Honolulu, and I would either be on welfare as a result, or forced to leave Hawaii entirely.

Written Testimony

Uber allows people like myself, who have arts-related careers, or other careers of minimal / inconsistent compensation, to continue to hone their skills in their primary field without going on welfare. I am proud of the fact that I am not a taxpayer burden during periods of no employment with my primary employer, the Hawaii Symphony... thanks to Uber, I can afford these periods of no music-related work, and continue paying my own bills, living expenses, etc without burdening the Hawaii welfare system.

In addition, consider the loss of life that WILL OCCUR, when people who no longer have the EASE of hailing an Uber after drinking, instead resort to drinking and driving. This WILL HAPPEN. Uber allows Hawaiian citizens and tourists to enjoy themselves, and still get home safely and cheaply.

DO NOT BAN UBER from this state. Let's continue onwards into the 21st century, together, and stop being held back by antiquated systems of transport that only make it more difficult for people to move about this glorious island in a safe and affordable fashion.

Testimony Attachment
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