

Bill 15
Additional Testimony

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I support TNR and also support Council Member Trevor Ozawa plan to put up \$600,000 towards a Spay/Neuter program. The real problem is all the irresponsible people who abandon their pets. Here in Hawaii its very expensive to have your pet fixed which is the second worst problem. We need this program and more education and better laws about animal sterilization and abandonment. ALL LIVES MATTER. Please support bill 15

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Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Organization Self
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

TNR is a better policy solution than killing animals. I support animal control in the form of spay/neuter NOT euthanasia as Suzanne Case advocates.

Written Testimony I support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's position to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter and to unbundle control of cats from feral chickens.

P.S. Please make language a bit more clear. I've read through Bill 15 and it's difficult to understand exactly what the position it takes.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I support Spay/Neuter programs such as Neuter Now and the Feral Feline Fix certificates. These are such a boon to the animal rescue community. So many individuals pay out of pocket to help control the free-roaming cat population. These low-cost spay/neuter programs mean that we can spay/neuter more animals, and continue to do this service for our communities.

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Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I support the spay/neuter program to control the cat population. Funds need to be dedicated to this program and not provided to the Hawaiian Humane Society (HHS), which needs to concentrate on an adoption mission. I further support Councilman Ozawa's provision to unbundle the sole source contract to HHS. Lastly, until the cat population is controlled, more funds need to be expended on this program. Prevention is The Key.

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Administration/Department Budgets
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

I oppose the proposed budget and staff cuts for the Department of Land Management. The need for affordable housing across Oahu remains high and marketplace continues to fall short of this demand. Neighborhoods are impacted by the realities of our island's high housing costs when residents are no longer able to remain in their communities.

Written Testimony

The Department of Land Management's projects have created much needed housing opportunities for low-income renters. Without more units built to meet the low-income end of our housing affordability shortage, overcrowding and homelessness in our communities cannot be fully addressed.

I respectfully ask that you reconsider the proposed cuts to the Department of Land Managements budget and staff, so that they may continue to work with neighborhoods in the delivery of projects that will help our communities.

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Agenda Item Administration/Department Budgets
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I am a resident of Council District 4 and I oppose the proposed cuts to the Department of Land Management budget and staff.

The Department of Land Management's projects have created much needed housing opportunities for low-income renters. Without more units built to meet the low-income end of our housing affordability shortage, overcrowding and homelessness in our communities cannot be fully addressed.

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Agenda Item BILL 15
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Alexis Jamison and I am a fourteen plus year resident of Oahu. I am writing to you today to strongly support the Feline Fix and Neuter Now programs. Spay and neuter is the most important thing we can do as pet owners and as animal rescuers and is the only way to humanely reduce the pet overpopulation problem. Supporting spay and neuter in the community ultimately reduces animal control costs. With approximately 15,000 animals being euthanized every year at the Hawaiian Humane Society, it is imperative that we take steps to reduce these unreasonable euthanasia rates and save the lives of animals, while still controlling for overpopulation.

Written
Testimony

It has come to my attention that Ms. Suzanne Case of the Department of Land and Natural Resources would like to terminate the expanded Neuter Now program which allows more low-income families to affordably spay and neuter their pets, and allows feral cat caregivers and those involved in trap-neuter return to affordably fix and return feral cats. I am strongly opposed to cutting this program. As noted previously, spay and neuter is the only humane way to control the animal overpopulation problem. By cutting the expanded program, we will be making it even more difficult for certain populations to spay and neuter animals affordably. This will ultimately lead to more unwanted litters and higher euthanasia rates.

As a low income individual on Medicaid, I have personally utilized the low-income Neuter Now certificates to help fix pet cats. Additionally, as a volunteer in animal rescue that is involved in trap-neuter-return, I have been able to use the Feline Fix certificates to trap-neuter-return and vastly reduce the feral cat population and prevented hundreds of unwanted cats. However, if this program goes away, myself and others will no longer be able to afford to fix as many cats. That equals one thing - more cats and more euthanasia, which no one wants

Ms. Case has also advocated for the eradication of feral cats, which is both inhumane, ineffective, and a waste of taxpayer money. First, it is absolutely inhumane to prioritize one species over another and to set out to kill those animals simply because they exist. The cats do not choose to exist but they are a human created problem due to animal abandonment and failure to spay and neuter cats. Additionally, an inability for many TNR volunteers and colony caregivers to either be allowed to afford to TNR equals more cats (thus the importance of affordable TNR and the importance of being allowed to TNR on lands on which it is currently prohibited). Next, it is ineffective. It is unlikely you will trap all of the cats in the first place, but furthermore, the dumping problem will continue to create cat colonies. There is also the vacuum effect, which indicates that once you remove a cat colony, new cats will inevitably move in. Studies have been done in areas in which eradication has been attempted and show that it is ineffective and has unwanted impacts (such as increase in rodents). Finally, it is a waste of taxpayer money. Where will be getting the funds to eradicate these cats? Recently, a news report suggested it costed the state \$108 per feral chicken they attempted to trap. Now imagine what that would cost per cat.

In terms of the risk of toxoplasmosis, I believe this is fear mongering and bad science. Currently, the most common way to get toxoplasmosis is through eaten raw and non-thoroughly cooked meat. Cats may be carriers, but only a small percentage of cats even carry toxoplasmosis, and it will only live out of their body for a brief period of time. While some cite the deaths of monk seals (a small amount compared the total deaths of monk seals due to human influences), there is simply no way to definitely prove that those seals actually died of toxoplasmosis, merely that it was in their systems. And correlation does not equal causation. Finally, it has been noted by our own state Department of Health that toxoplasmosis is not considered a public health concern.

Finally, I strongly support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 to spay and neuter and unbundle the "sole source" contract given to the Hawaiian Humane Society, which bundles animal control with spay/neuter. There is no greater conflict of interest than an animal welfare organization holding the animal control contract for the city and county. If the HHS is getting paid to euthanize animals (for \$5 million dollars per year), what incentive

does the HHS have to actually save animals? It is important to unbundle the contract because spay and neuter funds should not be used to kill animals. In addition to support Councilman Ozawa's proviso, I urge the city and county to audit the Hawaiian Humane Society and the animal control contract to ensure that funds are being used effectively and humanely.

In sum, I strongly support the expanded Neuter Now program, including the Feline Fix certificate for free-roaming cats. Additionally, I reject Ms. Case's desire to cut the program and attempt to eradicate the feral cat population. And finally, I support Councilmember Ozawa's proviso to unbundle the spay/neuter funds with the animal control contract.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Agenda Item Administration/Department Budgets
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

I oppose the proposed cuts to the Department of Land Management's budget and staff.

Written Testimony

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Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

Please support spay and neuter on Oahu and keep the expanded Neuter Now program, including the low-income Neuter Now certificates for Medicaid/low-income housing recipients and Feline Fix certificates for feral cat colony caregivers. Please also support Trevor Ozawa's proviso to unbundle the spay/neuter money from the animal control contract.

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Agenda Item BILL 15
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony Please support spay and neuter on Oahu and keep the expanded Neuter Now program, including the low-income Neuter Now certificates for Medicaid/low-income housing recipients and Feline Fix certificates for feral cat colony caregivers. Please also support Trevor Ozawa's proviso to unbundle the spay/neuter money from the animal control contract.

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Agenda Item BILL 15
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony Please support spay and neuter on Oahu and keep the expanded Neuter Now program, including the low-income Neuter Now certificates for Medicaid/low-income housing recipients and Feline Fix certificates for feral cat colony caregivers. Please also support Trevor Ozawa's proviso to unbundle the spay/neuter money from the animal control contract.

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Agenda Item BILL 15
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony Please support spay and neuter on Oahu and keep the expanded Neuter Now program, including the low-income Neuter Now certificates for Medicaid/low-income housing recipients and Feline Fix certificates for feral cat colony caregivers. Please also support Trevor Ozawa's proviso to unbundle the spay/neuter money from the animal control contract.

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Agenda Item Bill 15 - City Operating Budget; Neuter Now, Spay/neuter, feral feline fix funding
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

I strongly support PERMANENT funding by the City for spay/neuter certificates for low income families to sterilize their pets, and spay/neuter certificates for feral felines. Spay and neuter helps reduce the cost of animal control.

Written
Testimony

I also strongly support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter and unbundle the illegal "sole source" contract given to the Hawaiian Humane Society to provide both animal control and spay/neuter. I am very, very strongly opposed to HHS having a sole source contract. It is very difficult for those of us who live outside Honolulu City to take animals to HHS for spay/neuter. They have a difficult-to-get-to location, and forget it if someone doesn't have a vehicle. But other organizations, like Poi Dogs and Popoki, take their spay/neuter service out to communities all over O'ahu, making it far more likely that families and individuals will get their pets or the ferals in their neighborhoods sterilized. CatFriends also does an excellent job of providing low-cost spay/neuter. It is just far too expensive and overpriced to get spay/neuter services at veterinarians on O'ahu, even with the county certificates. It is vital that organizations like Poi Dogs and Popoki receive county funding to continue their excellent work taking their sterilization services to all of O'ahu's communities. Please DON'T allow sole source funding to the Hawaiian Humane Society!

In conclusion, please provide permanent funding (or at least do not discontinue the pilot program) for \$20 spay/neuter certificates for low income families' pets, and \$10 spay/neuter certificates for feral cats. I strongly support Spay/Neuter, Neuter Now, the Feral Feline Fix certificate. Secondly, unbundle the illegal sole source contract given to the Hawaiian Humane Society, and instead, please fund organizations which physically take low-cost or free spay/neuter services out to the community, such as Poi Dogs and Popoki.

Mahalo.

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Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written
Testimony

I absolutely support Bill 15 and funding for affordable spay neuter program along with the \$10. Certificate for feral cats . Spay neuter needs to be affordable in order for people to get their pets spayed and neutered Low cost will help the people help their pets . The \$10 feral cat neuter now /feral feline Fix certificate will help with overpopulation and end the senseless killing of so many . There is TOO MUCH KILLING !

I also agree with Trevor Ozawa's idea of funding for spay neuter not be part of contract for animal control . Spay neuter is about saving lives and animal control is not . They should not be bundled together

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Thank you for your consideration of my testimony .

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Agenda Item Bill #15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

I support Spay/Neuter, Neuter Now, the Feral Feline Fix certificate, and how spay and neuter which HELPS to reduce the COST of Animal Control!

Written
Testimony

I also support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's provision to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter and undo the illegal "sole source" contract given to the Hawaiian Humane Society (for a juicy \$5 million per year of tax payer dollars) which bundles animal control WITH spay/neuter. The Spay/neuter funds should NOT be used to KILL animals under the animal control contract. Tax payers want to know: if HHS is taking in fewer animals every year (a result of TNR and spay/neuter), then why do they keep getting more money?! ASK City Council to audit animal control and their "pay to kill" contract! Saving lives is more important than killing.

Please take a serious look at how this in the past with the HHS has NOT worked!

Help us end pet overpopulation through affordable spay/neuter.

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April 25, 2018

Honorable Ernie Martin, Chair
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Dear Chair Martin, Vice-Chair Pine, and members of the Council:

Subject: Testimony on Bill No. 15, CD 1, EXECUTIVE OPERATING
BUDGET AND PROGRAM FOR FY 2019

My name is Gladys Quinto-Marrone, CEO of the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii). Chartered in 1955, the Building Industry Association of Hawaii is a professional trade organization affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders, representing the building industry and its associates. BIA-Hawaii takes a leadership role in unifying and promoting the interests of the industry to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii.

BIA Hawaii provides the following comments on Bill No. 15. We understand that the Budget Committee Chairman is proposing to cut the Department of Land Management's (DLM) fiscal 2019 budget to include funding only the Director (Sandy Pfund) and one secretary. The budget cut would result in 10 current employees without jobs. Moreover, it would severely restrict the City's ability to plan for and manage the City's real estate assets.

A Charter Amendment recently created this new department that essentially plans and manages all real estate owned by the City and County of Honolulu. It would appear short-sighted to reduce the size of this Department at this time considering the need to prepare a comprehensive plan for the use of the City owned lands along the transit corridor. This would include potential partnering with adjacent landowners to reduce overall off-site development costs (i.e. infrastructure). With the rail construction scheduled to be complete in less than 10 years, there is an immediate need to plan for and position the City real estate assets, especially along the rail transit corridor.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide our comments on this bill.

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Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization
Organization Point dogs and popoki
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony I support Spay/Neuter, Neuter Now, the Feral Feline Fix certificate, and how spay and neuter it HELPS reduce the COST of Animal Control! Stop the killing! I Support spay and neuter! Poi dogs and popoki helped me numerous times with affordable spay and neuter services.

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Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

Funding for affordable spay/neuter and especially the \$10 feral cat certificate is the only way to reduce pet overpopulation and euthanasia. For every \$1 invested in spay/neuter, the City save \$5 in animal control costs which is now a \$5 million contract to the Hawaiian Humane Society. And that contract specifically states that they get paid to kill 11,500 cats and 2,000 dogs and 2,500 "other" animals like rabbits, guinea pigs, etc. As of taxpayer and an animal lover, this is absolutely absurd that they get paid to KILL these animals.

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Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

Spay/neuter of pets and community animals is the only way to humanely reduce overpopulation. In Hawaii, of all places, there is a great need to provide residents with an affordable option. The cost of spay/neuter at a regular veterinary clinic is astronomical to many and if not provided an affordable option the owners are likely to forgo the procedure leading to excessive amounts of new animals to find homes for. Additionally, caretakers of cat colonies cannot get their colony population under control if not presented with an extremely affordable option such as the \$10 Feline Fix certificate. Affordable spay/neuter services are the cornerstone in combating pet overpopulation and to not support them would only hinder the process of getting to the goal we all are striving towards- less homeless animals.

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15 support spay/neuter
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I don't know what I would do to be able to help all the cats that I have if the spay/neuter program cost any more than it does. I've been doing this, helping the cats, since I moved here to the WestSide 14 years ago. The animals deserve to have a voice - too many people are not responsible, either abandoning or dumping and someone needs to step up to help them. I don't understand how anyone could not support the discounted price to help these kitties.

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Affordable spay and neuter program
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony Affordable spay and neuter programs allow more people access to be responsible pet owners, ultimately reducing the number of unwanted/ unowned animals in the State. Please protect and keep this important program.

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Administration/Department Budgets
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

I oppose the proposed cuts to the Department of Land Management budget and staff.

Written Testimony

The Department of Land Management's projects have created much needed housing opportunities for low-income renters. Without more units built to meet the low-income end of our housing affordability shortage, overcrowding and homelessness in our communities cannot be fully addressed.

I respectfully ask that you reconsider the proposed cuts to the Department of Land Management's budget and staff so that they may continue to work with neighborhoods in the delivery of projects that will help our communities.

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Submitting my testimony in support of Bill 15 of the City Operating Budget that continues to provide the funding for the Neuter Now program to:

- 1) **Provide \$20 Spay/Neuter, Neuter Now low cost certificates help low income families, including EBT, Medicaid and low income housing recipients—and**
- 2) **Provide the \$10 spay/neuter certificate for feral cats to help reduce cat overpopulation. Please continue this program permanently.**

Personally, I have used Poi Dogs & Popoki many times and always received excellent Vet services with care and compassion for my pet cats and used the certificates to insure that the many abandoned neighborhood cats on the south shore don't produce more offspring.

I see many homeless people around town with their pets—probably their only friends in the world--and know that these inexpensive certificates are the only way that many of us can help them keep their pet/friends from reproducing/overpopulating.

My family and I have supported the Audubon and their efforts to protect our native birds. Enemies of our rare native birds include: humans overpopulating and inhabiting the birds territory, invasive diseases of the special trees the native birds need for food, rodents, insects, feral pigs, pet dogs, yes, and feral cats. Endangered rare birds face a difficult future. BUT, unlike the desire of our State Director of Dept. of Land and Natural Resources (DLNT), Suzanne Case—I know that killing the feral cats is NOT the answer to bring back our lovely rare birds. Humanely spade and neuter IS the answer for feral cats—it works and is successful throughout many large cities throughout our nation.

Per the Humane Society International, "Euthanasia rates increase exponentially in areas where there are no viable spay/neuter programs readily available. Also, they say, "Dogs are 15 times, and cats are 45 times, as prolific as humans. Dogs and cats enjoy many behavioral and health benefits from surgical sterilization. By spaying or neutering your pet, you save the cost of caring for future litters and reduce the likelihood of your pet needing veterinary treatment for injuries occurring when roaming or fighting." (http://www.hsi.org/issues/spayday/factsheets/why_spayneuter_important.html)"

When evaluating the risks—including public health concerns, animal health risks and behavioral concerns—that result from domestic animal overpopulation, spaying and neutering clearly becomes the undeniably responsible option.

Sincerely submitted by,

Pauline M. Nguyen

From: CLK Council Info
Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2018 10:06 PM
Subject: Council/Public Hearing Speaker Registration/Testimony

Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Meeting Date 04-24-2018
Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15 Bill 15 – Relating to the Executive Operating Budget and Program for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No
Written Testimony Please support funding for spay/neuter and also the \$10 feral cat certificate. It is the humane way to control animal populations.
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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Meeting Date 04-25-2018
Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony I support Spay/Neuter, Neuter Now, and Feral Feline Fix Certificates. I support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso. To spay/ neuter is the most cost effective way to control animal population.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Meeting Date 04-25-2018
Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I strongly support the renewal of the low cost spay/neuter program and Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter and separate the "sole source" contract given to the Hawaiian Humane Society so that funds allocated to prevent the unwanted birth of stray animals are not used to murder existing animals.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Meeting Date 04-25-2018
Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Spay/Neuter 600,000 appropriation
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I strongly support the spay and neuter program, especially the \$10.00 spay/neuter certificate. TNRM is the most effective and most humane strategy for reducing the stray cat populations. Humane ways to address animal populations are important, and role model humane and kind manner of problem solving in society and promotes healthy / positive / effective ways of handling living homeless cats.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Meeting Date 04-25-2018
Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15 Spay/Neuter program
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

The spay neuter program is a vital part of controlling the overpopulation of animals . It is critical that we support this funding to reduce the unwanted pet population. And the unnecessary deaths of many innocent creatures.

Written Testimony I have used the spay neuter program for many years and the \$10 feral cat certificates have been a blessing to help with the cost of care for these cats.

Please support this bill to save the lives of these animals and help those of us who are trying to make better lives for them.

Thank you for your consideration

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Agenda Item Bill 15 Spay/Neuter program
Your position on the matter Support
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Organization
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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Organization Self
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Trap and Neuter is a better policy solution than killing animals. I support animal control in the form of spay/neuter NOT euthanasia as Suzanne Case advocates.

Written Testimony I support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter in the operation budget.

Please unbundle the sole source contract to Hawaiian Humane Society.

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NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD**

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April 25, 2018

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RE: Clean Water and Natural Lands Fund and Department of Land
Management (Bill 15, CD 1)

GREG KNUDSEN
At-Large

ROBERT CLARK
Subdistrict #1

Last night, at its regularly scheduled meeting of April 24, 2018, the Hawaii Kai
Neighborhood Board voted unanimously to approve the following statement to
convey to the City Council at its full Council Meeting today:

MARIAN GREY
Subdistrict #2

Vacant
Subdistrict #3

The Hawaii Kai community has benefited greatly from both the Clean Water and
Natural Lands Fund and the City and County of Honolulu's Department of Land
Management, and would like the City Council to consider maintaining the office
to the extent that it can continue to effectively provide support to local
neighborhoods/communities island-wide.

MAXINE RUTKOWSKI
Subdistrict #4

CAROL JAXON
Subdistrict #5

HERB SCHREINER
Subdistrict #6

Thank you for your time and consideration of our comments.

LASHA SALBOSA
Subdistrict #7

Aloha,

Vacant
Subdistrict #8

Vacant
Subdistrict #9

PAIGE ALTONN
Subdistrict #11

**Hawaii Kai
Neighborhood Board #1**

Roberta Mayor, Chairperson
Hawai'i Kai Neighborhood Board

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cc (via email): Mayor Kirk Caldwell
Members of the Hawai'i Kai Neighborhood Board

The Board meets the last
Tuesday of every month
except Dec., 7 p.m., Hahaione
Elementary School cafeteria.
The public is welcome to
attend.

From: CLK Council Info
Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2018 2:18 AM
Subject: Council/Public Hearing Speaker Registration/Testimony

Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Meeting Date 04-25-2018
Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written
Testimony

I absolutely support Bill 15 and funding for affordable spay neuter program along with the \$10. Certificate for feral cats . Spay neuter needs to be affordable in order for people to get their pets spayed and neutered Low cost will help the people help their pets . The \$10 feral cat neuter now /feral feline Fix certificate will help with overpopulation and end the senseless killing of so many . There is TOO MUCH KILLING !

I also agree with Trevor Ozawa's idea of funding for spay neuter not be part of contract for animal control . Spay neuter is about saving lives and animal control is not . They should not be bundled together

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Thank you for your consideration of my testimony .

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From: CLK Council Info
Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2018 5:29 AM
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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Meeting Date 04-25-2018
Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15 support spay/neuter
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I don't know what I would do to be able to help all the cats that I have if the spay/neuter program cost any more than it does. I've been doing this, helping the cats, since I moved here to the WestSide 14 years ago. The animals deserve to have a voice - too many people are not responsible, either abandoning or dumping and someone needs to step up to help them. I don't understand how anyone could not support the discounted price to help these kitties.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization Self
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I support Poi Dogs and In he short. Time they've been around they have done more for the community and animals welfare than HHS EVER has.
They are very much present on the Leeward Coast and assist people NOT penalize or punish their animals

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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| Meeting Date | 04-25-2018 |
| Council/PH Committee | Budget |
| Agenda Item | Bill 15 |
| Your position on the matter | Comment |
| Representing Organization | Self |
| Do you wish to speak at the hearing? | No |
| Written Testimony | Keep the Neuter Now/Spay-Neuter Program. This is an upfront investment that saves money long term. Don't be narrow-minded...think about the return on this cheap investment. |
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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Meeting Date 04-25-2018
 Council/PH Committee Budget
 Agenda Item Bill 15, CD1
 Your position on the matter Comment
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

I support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proposal to "Add proviso to OC 3049 - Other Services - Not Classified. Add proviso: "At least \$600,000 shall be dedicated to a City Spay/Neuter program."

Written Testimony

I think providing low-cost certificates for neutering free-roaming cats is an effective and humane way to address cat overpopulation. When neutering is cheaper, members of the public are more willing and able (financially) to trap, neuter, and release free-roaming cats. Essentially they become part of a virtual, humane Oahu animal control team. (We took advantage of the low-cost certificates to get five free-roaming cats fixed last fall.)

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Meeting Date 04-25-2018
 Council/PH Committee Budget
 Agenda Item Spay/neuter \$600,000 appropriation
 Your position on the matter Support
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Dear Council Members,

Written Testimony TNRM is the most effective and humane way to reduce cat populations. I strongly support the spay and neuter programs and the \$10 spay/neuter certificates for free roaming cats. Spay and neuter also reduces the cost of animal control.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Email crr@hawaiiantel.net
 Meeting Date 04-25-2018
 Council/PH Committee Budget
 Agenda Item Bill 15
 Your position on the matter Support
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I support Spay/Neuter, Neuter Now, the Feral Feline Fix certificate. Spay and neuter reduces the cost of animal control. We humanely do the work voluntarily with our own limited time, resources, and funds to eliminate the need to kill as a solution. It works. I have witnessed it many times over. I also support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proposal to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Council/PH Committee Budget
 Agenda Item Spay/Neuter \$600,000 appropriation
 Your position on the matter Support
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Dear Council Members,

Written Testimony I strongly support the spay/neuter program, especially the \$10 certificate for say and neuter for free-roaming cats. TNRM is the most effective and humane way to reduce the cat population.

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 Council/PH Committee Budget
 Agenda Item Bill15
 Your position on the matter Comment
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I support spay/neuter programs. Last year when feral kittens were born in my yard, Poi Dogs and Popoki was a tremendous help. I was beside myself because I didn't want them to be euthanized and I wasn't sure how to go about getting them spayed and neutered. Poi Dogs and Popoki was the answer to my dilemma. It was convenient because of the various locations. They helped me learn how to trap the kittens and they were eventually spayed and neutered. The program is a very important one, I have recommended it to several people. I support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter and unbundle the contract given to the Hawaiian Humane Society. Spay/neuter funds should not be used to kill animals!

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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| Meeting Date | 04-25-2018 |
| Council/PH Committee | Budget |
| Agenda Item | BILL 15 |
| Your position on the matter | Support |
| Representing Organization | Self |
| Do you wish to speak at the hearing? | No |
| Written Testimony | I support of Spay/Neuter, Neuter Now, the Feral Feline Fix certificate, and how spay and neuter HELPS reduce the COST of Animal Control! Help us SAVE LIVES! |
| Testimony Attachment | |
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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Meeting Date 04-25-2018
 Council/PH Committee Budget
 Agenda Item Bill 15
 Your position on the matter Support
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,
 I SUPPORT

The \$20 spay/neuter certificate for low income families including EBT, Medicaid and low income housing recipients, and the \$10 spay/neuter certificate for feral cats to help reduce cat overpopulation. Because Spay and neuter including Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) is the single most effective strategy for reducing pet overpopulation and the euthanasia rate.

Written
 Testimony

I also support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter and unbundle the illegal "sole source" contract given to the Hawaiian Humane Society which bundles animal control WITH spay/neuter (and feral chickens). This illegal contract bypassed the State's procurement process by generously giving the contract to Hawaiian Humane Society. Spay/neuter funds should NOT be used to KILL animals under the animal control contract.

As a Tax payer I also want to know: since HHS is taking in fewer animals every year (a result of TNR and spay/neuter), then why do they keep getting more money?!

Please audit animal control and their "pay to kill" contract!

Mahalo for your time,
 Gabriele Schmidt-Stelljes

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Council/PH Committee Budget
 Agenda Item Spay Neuter \$600.000 appropriation
 Your position on the matter Support
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I have purchased several Spay and Neuter Certificates to use in my volunteer work as a Feral Cat Colony Caretaker and also as a Rescuer. I pay all the expenses out of my own pockets, having the certificates helps tremendously people like me and also, low income people who get their personal pets spayed or neutered. For years I have been doing TNR in my neighborhood and controlling the cat population, also rescuing and finding them homes. Please approve and continue this program which benefits several pet owners and rescuers. Vet visits and services are extremely expensive, so this program is an accessible way of controlling the overgrown population of cats and dogs. HHS alone cannot control the pet population, so it euthanizes 85 % of the pets they intake. With the help of citizens like me, who pay State taxes and would like to have the benefit of this bill, please approve and continue this program. Mahalo!!

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Oppose
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written
Testimony

I have been involved with the Dept. of Land Management staff for two Homeless projects. They are truly a dedicated staff and is performing above and beyond their duty to serve the public. They are tasked with very difficult issues. Sandy Pfund and her staff's commitment is what I see as Government at work for the people. Attending meetings and dealing with the project's hurdles has been a pleasure due to their understanding of working as team and not to blame for items to be resolved. You have a great team there at Land Management. Please support their staff and allow them to continue to be a shining star for the City.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Comment
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

Honorable Members of this Council and the Public: My granddaughter has two (2) cats that were "saved" by the Poi Dogs and Popoki because of the Spay/Neuter Program. Grayssy and Meeki would have been just part of the statistics of unattended feral cats if not for this laudable government program. With this in mind, I support the proposition of Council Member Trevor Ozawa to allocate \$600,000.00 to this program. Also, I support the unbundling of the \$5 M budget for animal control to multi agency participation other than the Hawaiian Humane Society. There are other like-minded entities that are around, ready and able to help in this undertaking.

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization
Organization Pono Advocacy, West Hawaii Humane
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes

Dear Honolulu County Council,

Please accept this testimony in strong support of Bill 15 to increase funding for spay-neuter services, specifically, funding for feral cat spay-neuter services. Humane sterilization is the most effective and humane way to reduce cat populations and is a core service that the City should continue to fund. Animal issues are people issues thus reducing the cat population serves to protect wildlife, the environment, the community and the animals themselves.

Written Testimony Regarding feral fowl control, I have delivered information to each of the Council members offices regarding OvoControl, a non-toxic feed that prevents egg hatchability. This represents a safe, humane and effective way to reduce feral fowl populations as these animals reproduce at rates that cannot be handled by trapping/euthanasia alone.

Please contact me with any questions.

Mahalo for your attention to this testimony.

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STANFORD CARR DEVELOPMENT, LLC

April 18, 2018

The Honorable Ernest Y. Martin, Chair
Members of the City Council
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: Testimony for Bill 15 (2018), CD1 Proposed Amendments
Council Hearing Date: April 25, 2018

Dear Chair Martin and Councilmembers:

Stanford Carr Development, LLC submits this testimony in strong support of the Department of Land Management (DLM) and urges the City Council to reconsider Bill 15 (2018), CD1 that drastically cuts its budget and staff positions. Full funding and staffing for the DLM is necessary to make the City a secondary source of bond financing for Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developers to facilitate the construction of much needed workforce rental housing for the families of Honolulu.

According to a 2016 Hawaii Housing Study prepared by SMS Research for the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, the greatest need for housing is at lower-income levels. Specifically, households earning 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and below represent half of the demand for the nearly 26,000 new housing units needed in Honolulu by 2025. The development of such workforce rental housing is only feasible through use of governmental subsidies such as Tax-Exempt Private Activity Bonds (PABs) issued in conjunction with the 4% non-competitive LIHTC program under Section 142 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Each year the federal government allocates to the individual states a volume capacity on the amount of PABs it can issue. If unused during the year, these "free money" PABs simply expire and represent a missed opportunity to produce additional rental housing. Although this volume cap can serve to limit the number of potential workforce rental units built in any given year, Hawaii fails to utilize all of its annual allocation of PAB volume.

Currently, the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation is the State's only conduit for issuing PABs in connection with the 4% LIHTC limiting the ability of the development community to maximize this federal subsidy. Most states, on the other hand, have multiple issuers of PABs who are capable of participating in the financings and able to convert this potential federal subsidy into real dollars flowing into the development of affordable rental housing. It is therefore critical that the DML continue its efforts in becoming an issuer of PABs in order to provide additional financial resources for private developer's to use in building crucial workforce rental housing.

As a testament to the effectiveness of utilizing 4% non-volume cap LIHTC and PABs, we were able to construct Halekauwila Place, a 204-unit apartment high rise comprised of studios, one, two, and three-bedroom units reserved for families earning 60% AMI or below. That equates to a family of four earning approximately \$69,960 a year paying \$1,575 a month for a two-bedroom unit. In short, one-hundred percent of Halekauwila Place's residents represent 80% of Honolulu's workforce including hospitality workers, teachers, and police officers. Furthermore, the development of Halekauwila Place resulted in private investment monies to the tune of \$50 million. In addition, we are currently developing Hale Kewalo, a rental apartment building with 128 units including one, two, and three-bedrooms reaching deeper affordability with units reserved for families earning at or below 30 percent of the AMI with units for as low as \$656 a month using 4% LIHTC's coupled with tax exempt private activities.

In closing, we at Stanford Carr Development appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony in full support of the Department of Land Management and implore the City Council to preserve its current budget and staffing so that the rental housing development community can continue its collaboration on implementing another conduit of bond financing for the construction of sorely needed workforce rentals.

Sincerely,
STANFORD CARR DEVELOPMENT, LLC

From: Alexis Jamison [<mailto:jamisona@hawaii.edu>]

Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2018 10:19 PM

To: Martin, Ernie; Pine, Kymberly Marcos; Anderson, Ikaika; Ozawa, Trevor; Kobayashi, Ann

Subject: Support Spay/Neuter Re: Bill 15 (Hearing Tomorrow 4/25/18)

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Alexis Jamison and I am a fourteen plus year resident of Oahu. I am writing to you today to strongly support the Feline Fix and Neuter Now programs. Spay and neuter is the most important thing we can do as pet owners and as animal rescuers and is the only way to humanely reduce the pet overpopulation problem. Supporting spay and neuter in the community ultimately reduces animal control costs. With approximately 15,000 animals being euthanized every year at the Hawaiian Humane Society, it is imperative that we take steps to reduce these unreasonable euthanasia rates and save the lives of animals, while still controlling for overpopulation.

It has come to my attention that Ms. Suzanne Case of the Department of Land and Natural Resources would like to terminate the expanded Neuter Now program which allows more low-income families to affordably spay and neuter their pets, and allows feral cat caregivers and those involved in trap-neuter return to affordably fix and return feral cats. I am strongly opposed to cutting this program. As noted previously, spay and neuter is the only humane way to control the animal overpopulation problem. By cutting the expanded program, we will be making it even more difficult for certain populations to spay and neuter animals affordably. This will ultimately lead to more unwanted litters and higher euthanasia rates.

As a low income individual on Medicaid, I have personally utilized the low-income Neuter Now certificates to help fix pet cats. Additionally, as a volunteer in animal rescue that is involved in trap-neuter-return, I have been able to use the Feline Fix certificates to trap-neuter-return and vastly reduce the feral cat population and prevented hundreds of unwanted cats. However, if this program goes away, myself and others will no longer be able to afford to fix as many cats. That equals one thing - more cats and more euthanasia, which no one wants

Ms. Case has also advocated for the eradication of feral cats, which is both inhumane, ineffective, and a waste of taxpayer money. First, it is absolutely inhumane to prioritize one species over another and to set out to kill those animals simply because they exist. The cats do not choose to exist but they are a human created problem due to animal abandonment and failure to spay and neuter cats. Additionally, an inability for many TNR volunteers and colony caregivers to either be allowed to afford to TNR equals more cats (thus the importance of affordable TNR and the importance of being allowed to TNR on lands on which it is currently prohibited). Next, it is ineffective. It is unlikely you will trap all of the cats in the first place, but furthermore, the dumping problem will continue to create cat colonies. There is also the vacuum effect, which indicates that once you remove a cat colony, new cats will inevitably move in. Studies have been

done in areas in which eradication has been attempted and show that it is ineffective and has unwanted impacts (such as increase in rodents). Finally, it is a waste of taxpayer money. Where will be getting the funds to eradicate these cats? Recently, a news report suggested it costed the state \$108 per feral chicken they attempted to trap. Now imagine what that would cost per cat.

In terms of the risk of toxoplasmosis, I believe this is fear mongering and bad science. Currently, the most common way to get toxoplasmosis is through eaten raw and non-thoroughly cooked meat. Cats may be carriers, but only a small percentage of cats even carry toxoplasmosis, and it will only live out of their body for a brief period of time. While some cite the deaths of monk seals (a small amount compared the total deaths of monk seals due to human influences), there is simply no way to definitely prove that those seals actually died of toxoplasmosis, merely that it was in their systems. And correlation does not equal causation. Finally, it has been noted by our own state Department of Health that toxoplasmosis is not considered a public health concern.

Finally, I strongly support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 to spay and neuter and unbundle the "sole source" contract given to the Hawaiian Humane Society, which bundles animal control with spay/neuter. There is no greater conflict of interest than an animal welfare organization holding the animal control contract for the city and county. If the HHS is getting paid to euthanize animals (for \$5 million dollars per year), what incentive does the HHS have to actually save animals? It is important to unbundle the contract because spay and neuter funds should not be used to kill animals. In addition to support Councilman Ozawa's proviso, I urge the city and county to audit the Hawaiian Humane Society and the animal control contract to ensure that funds are being used effectively and humanely.

In sum, I strongly support the expanded Neuter Now program, including the Feline Fix certificate for free-roaming cats. Additionally, I reject Ms. Case's desire to cut the program and attempt to eradicate the feral cat population. And finally, I support Councilmember Ozawa's proviso to unbundle the spay/neuter funds with the animal control contract.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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From: Ashley Spencer, Joey's Feline Friends [<mailto:ash.jff@gmail.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2018 11:38 PM

To: Martin, Ernie

Cc: Ashley Spencer

Subject: Support for expanded Neuter Now program, Spay/neuter svcs, and unbundling of animal control and spay/neuter funds

Dear City Councilperson Martin,

I am writing in support of Spay/Neuter, Neuter Now, and the Feral Feline Fix certificate. Providing affordable and easily accessible spay/neuter options is the only humane way to reduce the high number of unwanted cats and dogs on Oahu, and will actually help reduce the cost of Animal Control;

I support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter and unbundle the "sole source" contract given to the Hawaiian Humane Society, bundling animal control and spay/neuter services. Spay/neuter funds, taxpayer dollars, should NOT be used to KILL animals under the animal control contract.

As a tax payer, and as a representative of Joey's Feline Friends (a no-kill, non-profit rescue), I respectfully request that the City Council audit the animal control contract provider's "pay to kill" contract - tax payers would like to know why HHS continues to request and receive increasing funds when they are taking in fewer animals every year due to TNR and spay/neuter? Reducing the population and saving lives should be the focus, not killing animals.

Please help reduce the animal overpopulation problem of Oahu by providing affordable spay/neuter access.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Ashley Spencer

Joey's Feline Friends Adoption Coordinator

From: Jessica Halvorson [<mailto:gatomadam@icloud.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2018 11:57 PM

To: Fukunaga, Carol A; Kobayashi, Ann; Ozawa, Trevor; Anderson, Ikaika; Pine, Kymberly Marcos; Martin, Ernie

Subject: Bill 15 and Feline Fix Program

Dear council members,

I am a colony caretaker for multiple colonies, an avid user of the feline fix program, and the creator of a popular Facebook group that helps fix many cats daily on Oahu through member education and utilization of the feline fix program. It is my understanding that DLNR would like the city to discontinue the feline fix program for several reasons. Unlike Suzanne Case from DLNR, my boots are on the ground every single day where community cats are concerned. I will address DLNR's points and tell you why the feline fix program is so important.

DLNR has never once conducted any scientific studies about feral cats, but they generalize that all feral cats carry toxoplasmosis and the feline fix program helps spread it by releasing cats back into the environment instead of euthanizing them. When looking at several studies from the mainland and even internationally, researchers found that approximately half of cats are infected with toxoplasmosis, but that less than 1% of the that infected cat population will shed oocysts and they only shed for 2 weeks. They also found that once a cat is infected it will build up antibodies to prevent toxoplasmosis from occurring in the future. Only in severe cases of disease that weaken the immune system does toxoplasmosis occur again. This is rare. Researchers determine these things by testing the blood and feces of cats to accurately assess the percentage of cats carrying toxoplasmosis antibodies and then the feces of the cats for oocysts to determine what percentage are actually shedding. DLNR has failed to conduct any studies like this so they are in no position to tell the general public or the council that all feral cats pose a public health risk. In fact, the Department of Health has stated that toxoplasmosis is not a health risk in Hawaii. The feline fix program can help caretakers fix more cats and therefore decrease instances of toxoplasmosis by reducing the actual number of cats contracting it. Younger cats are more prone to infection because they haven't built up antibodies. So reducing the number of kittens born directly impacts the chances of infection.

DLNR states that feral cats are a threat to native species and that the feline fix program is encouraging predation and the spread of toxoplasmosis. They blame 8 monk seal deaths over 15+ years on toxoplasmosis and fail to mention that the seals could have been immunocompromised by other things in the environment prior to infection. While speaking with Dr. Thierry Work of USGS during a day when we did a radio broadcast on toxoplasmosis together, I asked him if researchers could tell the difference between primary and secondary toxoplasmosis infections when looking at slides of infected tissue from the seal. He told me no. This means that all of those seals could have been immunocompromised by other things in the environment and that let toxoplasmosis take hold or reactivate in their bodies. Most animals, to include humans, cats, and seals, can

and do fight off toxoplasmosis by building up antibodies. When the immune system is compromised by other things it can allow toxoplasmosis to become a secondary infection that the body has a hard time fighting off. We should be able to see that these instances are rare when looking at the overall population of immunocompromised humans or seals who have died from toxoplasmosis and that there are much greater threats in the environment.

DLNR also states that toxoplasmosis is a danger to pregnant women and their babies or immunocompromised individuals with diseases like AIDS and cancer, but they have never done a study to determine how many of these individuals are infected with toxoplasmosis and have died from it in the state of Hawaii. They blame cat feces for potentially infecting these people and go on to say that they did a survey to determine that there are 850 cats living in the state parks and figured out how much poop they generate that puts these immunocompromised individuals at risk.

DLNR and USGS reps have admitted during public talks that it is extremely hard to count wildlife, including feral cats. So one can question the accuracy regarding the number of ferals, the amount of feces generated, and even the numbers claiming that some of the species are indeed critically endangered. Researchers worldwide have been wrong about numbers in the past. They simply can't cover enough ground to accurately count different species. DLNR mentions the risk of legal action by conservation groups, but fails to mention the complexity of actually counting these species and the fact that the lawsuit judgement for one of these cases required a full scientific review and science based approach applicable to both sides, the conservationists and the TNR proponents. If there are critically endangered species in certain areas, colony caretakers play a critical role in reducing predation by feeding feral cats and fixing them in order to keep more from being born. As a caretaker, I could not fix as many cats as I do without the feline fix program. One great example of this is the Nimitz homeless camp. When it was swept, there were over 100 cats left in camp. I went in with several volunteers and had them fixed, vaccinated, and adopted out if possible. I absolutely could not have done this without the feline fix program. It was critical to the success of that mission. The feline fix program aids in this way by making the spay or neuter more affordable. It takes the cost from \$25 per cat to \$10 per cat. This allows caretakers to fix even more ferals and keep the population down.

DLNR states that TNR has not been proven not to work unless rehoming efforts are aggressive. They cite dumping as one of the reasons TNR does not work. As a colony caretaker for multiple colonies over 5+ years, I can without a doubt tell you that TNR absolutely does work to reduce the population and I resent Suzanne Case's implication that it doesn't. She has never TNR'd in her life or maintained a colony. She wouldn't know the first thing about it or have any real evidence like caretakers across this island do. Yes, dumping is an issue in some colonies. But responsible caretakers work hard to ensure that new and existing cats are fixed, vetted, and adopted out if at all possible. The state must work to create harsher penalties for animal dumping and to make it a law that all animals coming into Hawaii, or owned, are fixed. This is the only way that dumping will be deterred or decreased. That being said, you will never completely stop

it, just as you will never be able to eradicate cats from the island as a whole, or in certain areas. Cats are too evasive, dumping will never completely stop, and trapping takes a lot of time and money. Any other way of removing the cats such as poison, snares, or shooting is incredibly inhumane when considering the suffering and risk of horrific injury rather than death. Where is this money going to come from to trap or remove all of the cats? The state must learn to work with colony caretakers and not against them if they wish to lower the feral cat population. The feline fix program is critical in this aspect. Colony caretakers come out of pocket for all expenses and reducing the cost through utilization of the feline fix program is extremely helpful.

While the Hawaiian Humane Society has allowed patrons to utilize the feline fix certificates in their establishment to spay and neuter free roaming cats, it goes on to euthanize over 85% of the cats coming in, stray or otherwise. This figure, and others like it, can be found in their annual report. The reason this number is so high is because they also hold the animal control contract that nets them millions of dollars each year. This is unheard of elsewhere across the United States, or even worldwide. Instead of working to help animals, like the mission of other humane societies all across the world, they kill approximately 70% of the animals coming in. I call for an audit of the Hawaiian Humane Society to ensure they are spending money the way in which it was intended and not using spay and neuter dollars for animal control services. I also ask the council to support measures to take the animal control contract away from them since it was obtained questionably to begin with. You can do this by supporting Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 to spay and neuter services and remove the Hawaiian Humane Society as the sole animal control source.

In short, I strongly support the feline fix program and question the science, or lack thereof, that Suzanne Case of DLNR, touts as an opponent to the program. I also wish to see the animal control contract removed from the Hawaiian Humane Society so spay and neuter dollars are spent more effectively and more animals are saved.

Sincerely,
Jessica Halvorson



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Testimony of Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law & Economic Justice
Commenting on Bill 15 (2018), CD1
City Council
Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.

The Dept. of Land Management Serves a Critically Needed Role for Affordable Housing Development and its Budget Should Not Be Cut

The Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice is working to build a Hawaii'i where everyone has genuine opportunities to achieve economic security and fulfill their potential. We change systems that perpetuate inequality through research, policy development, education, coalition building, and advocacy.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment regarding Bill 15, CD1.

Hawaii'i Appleseed has serious concerns regarding the proposed budget cuts to the Department of Land Management (DLM). At a time when Honolulu is struggling to come to grips with an affordable housing and homelessness crises, we need to be investing more in addressing the problem, not less. DLM is tasked with managing City and County of Honolulu assets, including the development and preservation of the City's affordable housing inventory. It's work is critically needed to encourage development of housing that is affordable at income levels far below what is being created on the private housing market. Honolulu cannot afford to lose this capacity, and would be well served by building upon it.

The Affordable Housing Problem

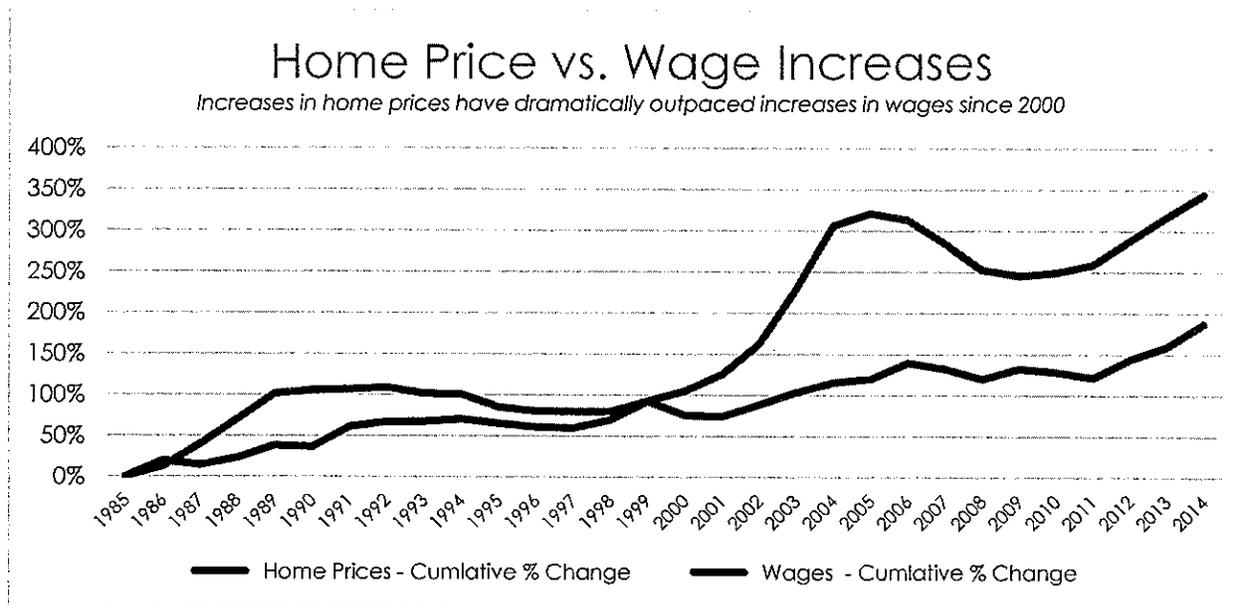
Hawaii'i has some of the highest housing costs in the nation and the highest rate of homelessness.¹ We have the lowest wages in the nation after accounting for cost of living.² With increases in home prices outpacing increases in wages, it has become

¹ 2016 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates Ranking Tables, R2511 and R2514, 2016. Available at http://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/census/acs/ACS2016/ACS2016_1_Year/state_rank/16_state_ranking_file.pdf.

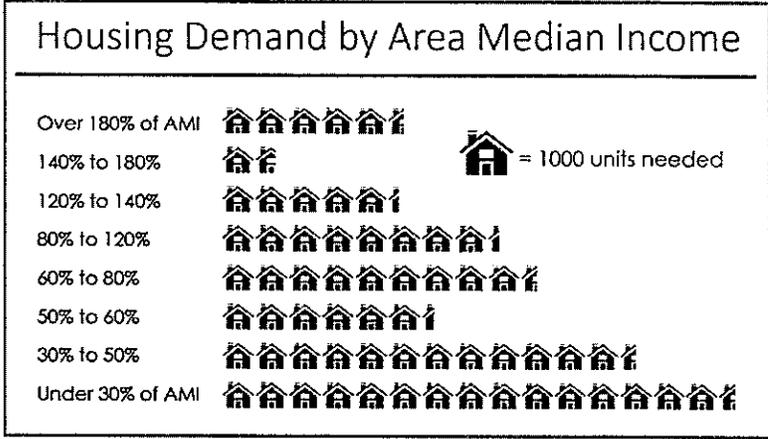
The 2017 Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) to Congress, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Dec. 2017 (p. 65). Available at <https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/2017-AHAR-Part-1.pdf>

² Kolko, Jed. *Cities Where Salaries Go Furthest in the U.S.*, Indeed Hiring Lab (Aug. 24, 2017). Available at <http://www.hiringlab.org/2017/08/24/salaries-go-furthest-in-us-cities/>

increasing difficult for Hawai'i residents to afford housing and make ends meet. Forty-eight percent of Hawai'i residents live paycheck to paycheck.³



The greatest demand for housing is at the lower-income levels. Households earning 60% or less of AMI represent *half* of the demand for the nearly 26,000 new housing units needed on Oahu by 2025. Households at between 80% and 120% of AMI—the income levels targeted by Bill 58’s affordability requirements—represent 16% of the demand for housing. The section of the population for whom housing is typically being built by the private market—households at 140% of AMI and above—represent only 10% of the demand for housing on Oahu.⁴



The demand for higher-priced housing is likely greater for non-residents versus residents. Homes that Hawai'i residents purchase are typically much less expensive than homes purchased by non-residents. The average sales

³ ALICE: A Study of Financial Hardship in Hawai'i, Aloha United Way (2017) (available at https://www.auw.org/sites/default/files/pictures/17UW%20ALICE%20Report_FH_1.11.18_Final_Lowres.pdf), *A Study of the Financial Struggles Facing Working Families in Hawai'i*, prepared by Qmark Research for Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law & Economic Justice (2016) (available at <http://www.qmarkresearch.com/EITC-APPLESEED-CUSTOM-MAR16%5b1%5d.pdf>).

⁴ 2016 Hawai'i Housing Study, prepared by SMS Research for the Hawai'i Housing and Finance Development Corporation, p. 33 (available at https://dbedt.hawaii.gov/hhfdc/files/2017/03/State_HHPS2016_Report_031317_final.pdf).

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price for homes purchased by local buyers between 2008 and 2015 was \$477,460, whereas the figure for foreign buyers was \$786,186, and \$612,770 for mainland buyers.⁵

We need to figure out a way to build housing for the people that need to live, work, and survive in Hawai'i. The Department of Land Management creates the capacity for the City and County of Honolulu to better address this problem. The Department should be maintained and strengthened.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this important issue.

⁵ *Residential Home Sales in Hawai'i, Trends and Characteristics: 2008-2015*, Hawai'i Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, pp. 3-4 (available at http://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/economic/data_reports/homesale/Residential_Home_Sales_in_Hawaii_May2016.pdf).

From: CLK Council Info
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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Council/PH Committee Budget
Agenda Item Bill 15
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony Making Spay/Neutering affordable is a major step in reducing pet overpopulation. when choosing between feeding family and preventing their pet from having unwanted family most people will go with the former. thank you for your time

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Council/PH Committee Budget
Agenda Item Spay Nueter \$600,000 appropriation
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
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Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written
Testimony

We desperately need to support all efforts in keeping our animal population of “unwanted” dogs and cats down by fixing the cause. Efforts made to prevent “unwanted” animals BEFORE they are brought into this world (not by their choice) would have a direct impact on reducing the dollars spent to fix the problem. Poi Dogs & Popoki have a proven track record in making a positive impact in spay/nueter efforts. They make this service available to pet owners that could not otherwise afford spay/neuter and actually go out into the communities. I STRONGLY support this appropriation as they reach a broader population than HHS does alone with the limited budget they have. They should be supported to continue the good work they’ve already shown us they can do!

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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| Council/PH Committee | Budget |
| Agenda Item | Bill 15 |
| Your position on the matter | Support |
| Representing Organization | Self |
| Do you wish to speak at the hearing? | No |
| Written Testimony | TOTALLY SUPPORT. Poi Dogs & Popoki provided affordable neuter and other wellness services to my rescue cat and made it easy to do so. |
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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Council/PH Council
 Committee
 Agenda Item TNR/ LOW COST SPAY NEUTER
 Your position on the matter Support
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written
 Testimony

I SUPPORT TNR AND LOW COST SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAM, STOP
 OVERPOPULATION OF CATS. THE CATS WILL ALWAYS BE HERE- SO
 PLEASE RESORT TO EUTHANASIA AS LAST RESORT. KILLING CATS
 WONT STOP OVERPOPULATION. TNR WILL. MAHALO

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Council/PH Council
 Committee
 Agenda Item Bill 15 - City Operating Budget
 Your position on the matter Support
 Representing Self
 Organization
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony

I, Cathy Rikiko Saks, write in support of Bill 22 that was initiated last year and request the City DOES NOT terminate this program on June 30th. TNR is the only Humane way we can resolve the over population of cats due to human ignorance and irresponsibility. Cats are "beings" just like us. Euthanasia is cruel and absolutely not the way to resolve this problem. I also support Council Member Trevor Ozawa's proviso to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter and unbundle the illegal 5 million dollar contract to the Hawaiian Humane Society. Spay neuter funds should not be used to kill innocent animals under the animal control contract.

I've been informed that people are hired to kill feral cats in City and State Parks or wherever there's an over population of felines .That the City or State would be involved in such a primeval and disgusting act is revolting.

Please DO NOT terminate Bill 22. I am available at the number I posted if you have ANY questions.

Sincerely,
Cathy Rikiko Saks

Testimony Attachment

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4/25/18

Re: Bill 15 - the City Administration's operational budget - which includes funding for Neuter Now/Spay-Neuter

Aloha,

I am in support of the Neuter Now, Spay and Neuter Program to prevent the birth of potentially millions of feral animals. I am completely against killing innocent animals when our society can prevent the birth of these animals to begin with.

Furthermore, I am support of an audit of how killing animals are done and where the money comes from. I firmly believe our society has the program backwards. Why are we killing animals when we have the opportunity to prevent these unwanted births?

I also believe that our city should provide the means for ALL pet owners to spay/neuter their animals. I personally know of pet owners who are unable to afford the cost to sterilize their animal(s), but have the compassion and love to feed them and give them love and shelter. These people should be supported by our city and given the opportunity to sterilize their pet for free.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Aloha,

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Speaker Registration/Testimony

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Meeting Date 04-25-2018
Council/PH Committee Council
Agenda Item Bill 15 support spay/neuter
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Self
Organization
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written
Testimony

I don't know what I would do to be able to help all the cats that I have if the spay/neuter program cost any more than it does. I've been doing this, helping the cats, since I moved here to the WestSide 14 years ago. The animals deserve to have a voice - too many people are not responsible, either abandoning or dumping and someone needs to step up to help them. I don't understand how anyone could not support the discounted price to help these kitties.

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Agenda Item Bill 15 support spay/neuter
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From: SueFlint, Court Reporter [<mailto:kabukismom@aol.com>]
Sent: Monday, April 23, 2018 7:27 PM
To: Martin, Ernie
Subject: Pub. Testimony re: City Council Hearing 4/25/18, Bill 15

PUBLIC TESTIMONY FROM SUE FLINT re: Honolulu City Council Hearing, 4/25/2018, Bill 15 - City Operating Budget

As an advocate for the Homeless population, I have had the experience of trying to help them with their dogs. Although we had picked up a Neuter Now certificate from the City, every local veterinarian I contacted required a pre-test of the animal, at the cheapest price of \$50. HELLO. These folks are homeless. \$20 is doable; \$70 and an extra appointment is not. And frankly, spaying or neutering their animal is not high on their list of priorities.

I encouraged neutering after one client's pitbulls interbred and produced 11 healthy puppies. I had also hoped neutering would help with the potential viciousness of the dogs.

Poi Dogs and Popoki was the only source available. They were professional and easy to contact and only required one appointment. They seem to be the only game in town for truly reasonably-priced spay and neuter services.

I am also in support of Council Member Trevor Ozawa's provision to dedicate \$600,000 for spay/neuter and unbundle the contract to Hawaiian Humane Society which bundles animal control with spay/neuter.

Thank you for your time and interest in this very important issue, which to me ties in to the homeless problem, as well. Sue Flint (808) 383-1983

Please note that I attempted to testify using the City Council online testimony form and received an error message, although everything seemed to be completed properly