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RE: Council Resolution No. 06-075

Aloha everyone my name is Dee Dee Letts and I am submitting testimony in favor of the passage of Council Resolution No. 06-075. I am sorry I can not be present in person today but work commitments prohibit my ability to attend. I have lived in Ka`a`awa for over 30 years and helped to write the petition for the formation of our Neighborhood Board. I have been a member of the Board for over 20 years. I was on the Board that originally dealt with the DelWeb - Kuilima - Turtle Bay issue. I am submitting this testimony as an individual as the current Neighborhood Board has not yet had an opportunity to discuss this issue. It was slated for discussion at our last meeting but this meeting was canceled due to flooding and weather.

I am very concerned that a project with the scope and impact of this one should be allowed to move forward 20+ years after the fact with no supplemental review. Many things have changed in the past 20 years that were not discussed at the time approvals were granted for this project. The PASH decisions, social cultural impact statements, burial councils, other development in the area, level of traffic congestion, the increased resort development at Ko`Olina just to name a few. There are also many of us who feel that the current unilateral has not been lived up to. I myself sent a detailed list of questions to DPP on the areas that I feel have not been implemented and have yet to receive a full response. The reasons in the unilateral agreement that allow them to deviate from the original schedule may have been reality over

several of the 20+ years but our state has certainly not been in an economic slump for 20+ years. The Land Use Commission Decision on the boundary redistricting had a date when the development was to be completed which has passed and it included none of the language allowing for deviation from the schedule.

The need for recreational space for our growing population has only increased over the 20 years and this is one of the reasons for keeping certain areas of the island in open space and designating them as rural. The Ko`olau Loa area is one such area and we have worked over the years to provide a system of parks to provide recreational opportunities for the entire island.

For these and many other reasons I urge you to pass this Resolution.

Dee Dee