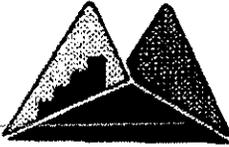


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CITY COUNCIL
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29 January 2008

City Council
530 S. King St.
Honolulu HI 96813

Re: CCH Council Bill 2 (2008) Proposing an Ordinance
Relating to Water Conservation and Requiring Separate
Water Meters for Individual Units in Multifamily Dwellings

Dear Council Members -

We live in a 586 unit condominium complex. We are against the subject bill.

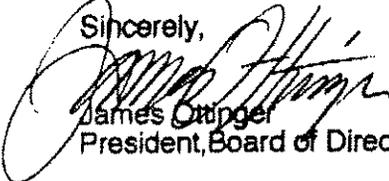
1. We already save money by conserving water.

- a. Our Association has taken several water conservation measures: rebates for installation of water-saving commodes; leasing low-water, efficient clothes washing machines (in which our Association gets a percentage of the use charges); using less water for landscaping and cleaning our property.
- b. We have received letters from the Board of Water Supply commending us for conserving water.
- c. Our water expenses for last year were below the amount budgeted.
- d. No absentee owners or any other owners have complained to us about sharing water costs as part of a monthly maintenance fee.

2. We would lose money by complying with the proposed ordinance.

- a. The money we save by conserving water would be wiped out by the costs of complying with the proposed ordinance if it becomes law.
- b. Maintenance fees would have to be raised to pay for compliance, which would do away with any supposed benefits from the ordinance to absentee or any other owners.
- c. Additional costs would have to be incurred by having to amend our governing documents to deal with the change in our common elements.
- d. Many if not all of our owners prefer to pay a single fee each month, covering water, electricity, security, and other expenses; and do so via electronic means, saving time and money.

We see nothing in the subject bill that would benefit the CCH or any of our owners.

Sincerely,

James Onipger
President, Board of Directors


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Vicepresident

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