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The Honorable Barbara Marshall, Chair  
and Members  
Honolulu City Council  
530 South King Street, Room 202  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Dear Chair Marshall and Councilmembers:

Subject: Bill 10, CD1 – Relating to Transit-Oriented Development

I am Henry Eng, Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting.

We support Bill 10. As you know, Bill 10 is the Department's proposal to comply with Ordinance 06-50. This ordinance requires an amendment to the Land Use Ordinance that addresses transit-oriented development zoning regulations.

The City Council's CD-1 would amend Bill 10 to allow the City Council to proceed with Special District regulations without a neighborhood planning process, beginning in 2011.

If the City Council must have a deadline, our position is to extend the deadline from 2011 to 2015. With 2011 deadline, we would not be able to initiate, much less complete neighborhood TOD planning for all planned transit stations. We believe we can accomplish this important aspect of TOD by 2015 with commensurate funding.

Let me share with you some highlights of the current Waipahu Neighborhood TOD planning process. This is the prototype for neighborhood TOD planning, and reflects the kind of community involvement outlined under Bill 10.

Community involvement is the key to the success of the Waipahu Neighborhood TOD Plan. In addition to open public meetings, it also uses an Advisory Committee (AC) comprised of NB members, representatives of community organizations, landowners, residents, and other community leaders. The AC plays a meaningful role by providing the consultant and DPP with valuable input and perspectives.

Since its inception last Fall, four (4) meetings of the AC and three (3) community workshops have been held. Basic community and TOD principles have been established, alternative development scenarios have been considered, with a preferred scenario in its final stage. The next steps will be to develop implementation strategies, particularly zoning

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incentives and regulations. We expect the entire process to be completed this Fall. We are pleased with the process, and hope to continue this program in other neighborhoods and communities.

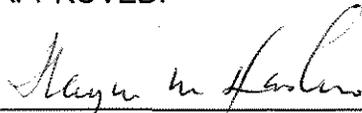
Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Very truly yours,

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Henry Eng, FAICP, Director  
Department of Planning and Permitting

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