## **JAMES W. Y. WONG**



HONOLULU OFFICE 3737 Manoa Road Honolulu Hawaii 96822 Phone: (808) 946-2966

FAX: (808) 943-3140

ANCHORAGE OFFICE 411 West 4th Avenue, Ste 200 Anchorage, Alaska 99501 Phone: (907) 278-3263 FAX: (907) 222-4852

VIA FACSIMILE 586-6659

TO:

Senate Sergeant-At-Arms

FR:

James W. Y. Wong

DT:

April 7, 2009

RE:

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SCR147 - RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT

I, James W. Y. Wong, submit this testimony in support of Senate Concurrent Resolution 147.

If passed, this Resolution will give the University of Hawaii an opportunity to expand its research facility which would also be a stimulus for Hawaii's economy and make the University of Hawaii equivalent to other universities throughout the United States.

James W. Y. Wong-



## VIA FACSIMILE 586-6659

TO: Senate Sergeant-At-Arms

DT: April 7, 2009

RE: TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SCR147 - RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT

We wish to support passage of Senate Concurrent Resolution 147 which will provide an opportunity to the University of Hawaii to expand its research facility and help create a stimulus for Hawaii's economy as well as make the University of Hawaii equivalent to other universities throughout the United States.

We urge your approval of SCR147.

Print Name	Signature	Address
Lori Lee	for fee	966 6th Avenue Handulu 96916
Gail Sugita	Ball monis	1044 124 All. Bm 968/b
Ross Ibara	ale	45507 Nakelia St. Kamba 967929
Repuela Woz	Napuelan Wong	1577 Nehon St. Am. L. 56522
Colin Lan	Cleix L	47-695 Hvi Dili St. Kaneohe &
June ALWA	Ju 2 9h	46-298 Kahuhupa St Kaneche 9676
Darryl Wong	1 Orny Jun	1841 Panelin Ch Hn. 96822



## CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU 530 SOUTH KING STREET, ROOM 202 HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813-3065 TELEPHONE: (808) 768-5010 • FAX: (808) 768-5011

## **Duke Bainum**

Councilmember, District V

Chair, Public Infrastructure Committee

Phone: (808) 768-5005 / Facsimile: (808) 768-5011

Email: dbainum a honolulu.gov Web: www.honolulu.gov/council/d5

April 7, 2009

Senator Clayton Hee Chair, Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs Committee State Senate 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Senator Jill Tokuda Chair, Higher Education State Senate 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senators Hee and Tokuda,

Re: SCR 147 and SR 99 - Testimony in Opposition

As the Councilmember representing the district which includes the University of Hawaii and its neighboring communities, I am writing in **strong opposition** of SCR 147 and SR99, which propose to convene a workgroup to develop a plan to establish a special district similar to the Hawaii Community Development Authority for the area including the University of Hawaii at Manoa (UH Manoa).

Experience tells us that setting up a special district similar to Hawaii Community Development Authority DOES NOT WORK. Not only are additional barriers for development created, the barriers are inconsistent with county land use regulations imposed on adjacent properties. For large facilities such as the UH Manoa, the City already has a well-established Plan Review Use (PRU) process, which comprehensively reviews land use changes, building permits and mitigative measures required of the UH Manoa. Furthermore, the City is in the process of adopting Transit Oriented Development policies, which include avenues for extensive public participation. I strongly oppose this effort to usurp county authority relating to land use.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please note this opinion is mine, and does not reflect the collective opinion of the Honolulu City Council.

With Aloha.

Councilmember, District V