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February 22, 2009

TO:

Honorable Ken Ito, Chair

House Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources

FROM:

Danny A. Mateo

Council Chair

SUBJECT:

HEARING OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2009; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF

HB 865, RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to require the Statewide Transportation Council to comply with county transportation and general plans, to the extent it does not impact Federal funds, in the preparation of the statewide transportation plan for projected transportation needs for a six-year period.

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I support this measure for the following reasons:

- Requiring the State transportation plan to comply with county transportation and general
 plans will ensure consistency between the plans. It will also eliminate the potential for
 conflict with county plans when the State transportation plan is implemented.
- The measure will ensure that the transportation needs of Maui County residents will be addressed in the State transportation plan.
- Providing consistency between the State transportation plan and county plans will allow for more effective transportation systems that will better meet the transportation needs of Maui County residents.

For the foregoing reasons, I support this measure.

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Hawaii State Capital

February 23, 2009

415 South Beretania Street

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RE:

IN SUPPORT OF HB 865

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

Hearing: Mon., Feb. 23, 2009, 9:30 a.m. - Room 325

Dear Chair Ito, Vice Chair Har and the House Committee on Water, Land

& Ocean Resources:

For the Record my name is Buzz Hong, the Executive Director for the Hawaii Building & Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO. Our Council is comprised of 16-construction unions and a membership

of 26,000 statewide.

The Council SUPPORTS the passage of <u>HB 865</u> that requires the Statewide Transportation Council to comply with county transportation and general plans, to the extent it does not impact federal funds, in the preparation of the statewide transportation plan for projected transportation needs for a six-year period.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in support of HB 865.

Sincerely,

William "Buzz" Hong

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February 22, 2009

The Honorable Representative Ken Ito, Chair, and Members Committee on Water, Land, Ocean Resources & Hawaiian Affairs Hearing – Monday February 23, 2009 at 9:30am State House of Representatives, Room 325 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Ito and Members:

Subject: House Bill No. HB 865 Relating to Transportation

My name is A. Joseph Fadrowsky, III, a participant in the 2007/2008 Interim Task Force on Smart Growth meetings chaired by Representative Sharon Har.

I support House Bill No. 865.

This bill enhances the decision making criteria of the State DOT by directing DOT to consider existing County plans in their deliberations. This kind of coordination is fundamental to a smart growth approach to transportation planning.

Attendees at the Interim Task Force on Smart Growth meetings represented a broad cross section of experienced and knowledgeable people from both the public and private sector. This bill represents a balanced effort to enhance State decision-making regarding transportation matters by more closely integrating State DOT transportation planning efforts with County land-use planning efforts.

Thank you for this opportunity to express my views.

A. Joseph Fadrowsky, III 1360 Laukahi Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96821



February 23, 2009

Committee on Water, Land & Ocean Resources Conference Room 325 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

Chair Ito, Vice Chair Har and members of the committee:

Subject: House Bill No. HB 865 Relating to Transportation

My name is Jim Tollefson, President of the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii. The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii works on behalf of its members and the entire business community to:

- Improve the state's economic climate
- Help businesses thrive

The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii supports the need for better planning and funding of proposed infrastructure in the State.

H.B. 865 proposes to amend Chapter 179 HRS to require that the statewide transportation plan include a provision to comply with county transportation-related plans, county general plans, and all community, development, or community development plans adopted pursuant to the county general plan.

The legislation is intended to essentially require the State to follow the lead of the Counties in planning and prioritizing where infrastructure should be provided to accommodate the planned growth in each county. The State and County planning process appears to be occurring independent of one another. This bill will provide better coordination between the State and County for planned transportation infrastructure.

The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii strongly supports H.B. 865.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our views with you.