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Comments:
I live at the Ilikai and am very familiar with the operation of the small boad Marina here. This is a facility that is used by the local people as well as the vessels docked here. This harbor is self supporing. paid for entirely by the users. The state should not put the search for profit above the interests of the citizens and the future of a Waikiki that is in need of """"less commercial, more nature*****
The state should be concered with keeping boating available and affordable for the people of Hawaii.
This idea of allowing commercial vessels into Ala Wai has been introduced more than once. I have seen the suggestions by business people who are also boaters and have an understanding of how this business could be managed to keep the Ali Wai harbor from being commercialized and still give DOBOR the income from commercial passenger and fishing boats and keep them located in areas where they have been very accessable to the public who use this kind of facility. Why not listen to the business people who do not stand to gain from development, then you will hear an unbiased opinion. Lea Sasak