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Sent: Saturday, March 19, 2011 5:57 PM
To: Rep. Joseph Souki; TRNtestimony; Rep. Rida Cabanilla
Subject: Opposition to HR No. 26/HCR No. 30 - Ho'okea Resolution - Hearing on March 23, 2011 - Transportation Committee

Dear Chair Souki,

I am a resident of the Ho'okea Subdivision in Ewa Villages.

I strongly oppose this resolution.

If this exemption is granted the entire village will be in a stand still. There isn't enough room to travel on the streets as it is so if you are going to allow "more" parking on the street then safety will come into play. It will make the streets more narrow and also it will not allow emergency vehicles adequate access to the houses.

On many occasions, fire trucks have not be able to make the turn on my street (Maliko Street) to fight a fire or respond to a situation with police and ambulance.

Next, lets think about the KIDS. Right now, it is very difficult to see the kids in between the automobiles. If you are going to allow more cars to park on the sides of the road then it will add less visibility of these children who have no area to play other than their driveway or street.

Lastly, this resolution was brought forward by Rep Cabanilla, from a concern of a minority of the residents here in the Ho'okea Village. I know this because I was approached by the same family when I was a member of the Neighborhood Board. I gave them the same explanation as I mentioned above.

Please, if this does go forward, please do a feasibility study on the impact of this exemption on the Ho'okea community.

Sincerely,

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LATE TESTIMONY

Testimony of Rosebella Martinez

HCR30/HR26

Committee on Transportation

Representative Joseph m. Souki, Chair

Representative Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Wednesday, 03-23-11

9:00 AM in conference room 309

Strong support

Chair Souki, Vice Chair Ichiyama,

As I have many friends who live in Ho`okea, in Ewa Villages, I have often been impacted by the severe lack of legal parking in the area. Residents have accepted this state of affairs so they often park several vehicles, one after the other, in their driveways, and then park additional vehicles on street, in front of their driveways. While it is an inconvenience, it is a doable work-around in a tight situation.

However City Ordinance 15-14.1(2) prohibits parking within 4 feet of *any* driveway, even one's own. Obviously I understand why people shouldn't park in front of other people's driveways; however people should have the right to park in front of their own driveway. It is then up to them to juggle their own vehicles.

Ho`okea, in Ewa Villages, was built before City Ordinance 15-14.1(2) came into effect. Now, this citywide ordinance is placing undue distress and expense on the residents of this community.

Please pass HCR30/HR26

Mahalo for hearing my testimony,

Rosebella Martinez

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