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Testimony of WILLIAM J. AILA, JR Chairperson

Before the House Committee on OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Wednesday, March 12, 2014 9:00 A.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 325

In consideration of **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 25** AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF TWO (2) TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENTS COVERING PORTIONS OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT MOKULEIA, WAIALUA, OAHU, FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF THE EXISTING SEAWALL AND ROCK PILE

House Concurrent Resolution 25 requests the authorization to issue two (2) term, non-exclusive easements covering a total of 456 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as tax map key: (1) 6-8-010:seaward of 014 and 015, at Mokuleia, Waialua, Oahu for maintenance and repair of existing seawall and rock pile constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). Department of Land and Natural Resources ("Department") supports this concurrent resolution.

The current owner of the abutting property, Sutton Family Partners, worked with the Department to resolve the encroachment. The seawall and rock pile were found encroaching on State lands located makai of the shoreline and such area should be considered as submerged lands. As required by Section 171-53, HRS, the Board of Land and Natural Resources ("Board") may lease submerged lands "with the prior approval of the Governor and the prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution". At its meeting on May 24, 2013, under agenda item D-12, the Board approved the issuance of two (2) term, non-exclusive easements for seawall and rock pile purposes.

The grantee shall pay the State the fair market value of the easements as consideration for the use of public lands. The amount of consideration shall be determined by an independent appraisal.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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March 11, 2014

MEMO TO: Representative Fave P. Hanohano Chair

Representative Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair

Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs

SUBJECT: Testimony for House Resolution HCR 025

Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs 3/12/14

MEMO FROM: Lauri Clegg, Analytical Planning Consultants

on behalf of Richar SuttonProperty Owner

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TESTIMONY:

In support of HCR 025 authorizing the issuance of a term, non-exclusive easement covering a portion of State submerged lands at Mokuleia, Waialua, Oahu, for the maintenance and repair of the existing seawall and rock pile that encroaches Makai of the shoreline. The easement is required in order for a certified shoreline to be issued and building permits obtained for maintenance of the shoreline protection structure. The easement request was approved by the Board of the Department of Land and Natural Resources and requires subsequent Legislative and Executive approval. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lauri Clegg Representing the Owner