HB-775 Submitted on: 2/10/2021 9:01:28 AM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ikaika Sarkissian	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I do want the name changed please. Aloha!

HB-775 Submitted on: 2/10/2021 11:02:43 AM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Victor K. Ramos	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

What a great way to remember former Mayor Elmer Cravalho and honor his family.

HB-775 Submitted on: 2/10/2021 11:50:13 AM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Rhonda	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose hb775

<u>HB-775</u> Submitted on: 2/10/2021 12:18:22 PM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Chassidy Reis-Moniz	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Strongly oppose

HB-775 Submitted on: 2/10/2021 12:21:38 PM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Charmaine Nee	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose

<u>HB-775</u> Submitted on: 2/10/2021 12:29:46 PM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cora Constantino	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly ask the House of Representative committee on Transportation to Support HB775 to rename the Kahului Airport Assess Road to MAYOR ELMER F. CRAVALHO WAY. He has been a great leader of the State of Hawaii and County of Maui.

<u>HB-775</u> Submitted on: 2/10/2021 12:42:52 PM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Patrick Constantino	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

My name is Patrick Constantino and I strongly support HB775, Changing the name Kahului Airport Access Road to MAYOR ELMER F. CRAVALHO WAY. I have worked for Mayor Cravalho as Assistant Sargerant of Arms for the State Legislature, Budget Session 1964. I also was appointed the youngest and first Filipino to serve as Executive Assistant to the Mayor when Mayor Cravalho was elected the first Mayor of the County of Maui. Through his leadership the State of Hawaii and County of Maui has accomplished many things. Mayor Cravalho has always put his community first and made decisions for the good of the community. Council Chair Alice L. Lee

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February 10, 2021

TO: Honorable Henry J.C. Aquino, Chair House Committee on Transportation

FROM: Alice L. Lee Council Chair

DATE: February 12, 2021

SUBJECT: SUPPORT OF HB 775, RELATING TO RENAMING KAHULUI AIRPORT ACCESS ROAD

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **SUPPORT** of this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to rename Kahului Airport Access Road on Maui as the Mayor Elmer F. Cravalho Way.

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:

- 1. Born in Paia, Maui, Elmer Franklin Cravalho served as the first speaker of the state house of representatives following statehood.
- 2. He maintained his position of speaker of the state house of representatives through 1967 and then served as Maui county's first mayor until July 24, 1979.
- 3. Mayor Elmer F. Cravalho has a clear connection to Maui's history, and he should be remembered for his civil service by naming a highway in his honor.

For the foregoing reasons, I **SUPPORT** this measure.

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<u>HB-775</u> Submitted on: 2/11/2021 7:58:16 AM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alfredo G. Evangelista	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Good morning members of the House Transportation Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in favor of HB775, renaming Airport Access Way on Maui to Mayor Elmer F. Cravalho Way, honoring the first Speaker of the House post statehood who later became Maui's first Mayor.

Speaker/Mayor Cravalho did a lot for the State of Hawaii and the County of Maui, especially in creating Maui as a premier destination for visitors, making it appropriate to name the Kahului airport access road after him.

Speaker/Mayor Cravalho was also very passionate about providing opportunities for locals and immigrants. For example, he was very instrumental in hiring many Filipinos to work at the County of Maui and to be the "first Filipino" in that capacity--whether it was Managing Director (Claro Capili) or Executive Assistant (Patrick Constantino). He made sure folks knew that Richard Caldito was the first Councilman of Filipino ancestry in the United States or that Rafael Acoba was the first Lieutenant in the Maui Police Department.

He was also a successful businessman and passionate community leader. After retirement from elective office, he continued to serve in a variety of capacities such as CEO of the Kula Credit Union, and on the Board of Water Supply.

Like all politicians, he loved to talk story and share his mana`o.

Without a doubt, Speaker/Mayor Cravalho was a colorful guy and immensely contributed to the success of the State of Hawaii and the County of Maui.

Michael P. Victorino Mayor

Sananda K. Baz Managing Director





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February 10, 2021

TESTIMONY OF MICHAEL P. VICTORINO MAYOR COUNTY OF MAUI

BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION Friday, February 12, 2021, 10:00 a.m. Via Videoconference, Conference Room 423

HB775 RELATING TO RENAMING KAHULUI AIRPORT ACCESS ROAD

Honorable Henry J.C. Aquino, Chair Honorable Greggor <u>IL</u>lagan, Vice Chair Honorable Members of the House Committee on Transportation

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in **STRONG SUPPORT** of **HB775**.

This bill renames Kahului Airport Access Road on Maui to Mayor Elmer F. Cravalho Way.

Mayor Elmer Cravalho is known as an iconic figure, in Maui County and around the state, for his work in creating a robust economy in tourism and high technology. He moved barriers to create affordable housing for residents and built the existing Kalana O Maui building, the seat of Maui County government.

I strongly urge you to pass this measure, HB775.

TESTIMONY BY:

JADE T. BUTAY DIRECTOR

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February 12, 2021 10:00 a.m. State Capitol, Via Videoconference

H.B. 775 RELATING TO RENAMING KAHULUI AIRPORT ACCESS ROAD

House Committee on Transportation

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports the intent** of this bill to rename Kahului Airport Access Road to the Mayor Elmer F. Cravalho Way.

However, the DOT would recommend that the more appropriate method would be to pass a Resolution.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

<u>HB-775</u> Submitted on: 2/11/2021 8:48:15 AM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Virgilio Agcolicol	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha. I am Virgilio "Leo" Agcolicol, a United States Army veteran and a retired (2013) bank officer (Bank Manager, Assistant Vice President, and Business Relationship Officer) of Central Pacific Bank, being employed for 46 years. I have been a resident of Maui since 1967 and been involved in the Maui Arts & Cultural Center (member of the Board of Directors), Knights of Columbus (District 9 Deputy) and the J. Walter Cameron Center (past member of the Board of Directors). I have been extremely active in the various Filipino community organizations on Maui and statewide, e.g. past president of the United Filipino Council of Hawaii, past president of the Maui Filipino Community Council, and past president of the Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce. I was also a radio announcer for over fifty years on KNUI and KMVI.

I first met Mayor Cravalho in 1967and worked with him over the years on various community issues. I always found him to be honorable, dedicated to the Maui community, and concerned about Maui's future.

I believe naming the current Airport Access Way after Speaker/Mayor Cravalho would be an excellent way to honor the first Speaker of the House after statehood and Maui's first Mayor.

Thank you for the opportunity to tesity. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 283-6943.

<u>HB-775</u> Submitted on: 2/11/2021 9:24:15 AM Testimony for TRN on 2/12/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lydia Coloma	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Chair Aquino and members of the committee. Aloha and Mahalo for hearing this bill. My family and I strongly support this bill (they helped me submit this testimony).

I have lived most of my life on Maui and I am now 92 years old. I agree with people who say Elmer F. Cravalho was by far the single most significant political figure out of Maui County in both his State and County roles. For that matter, he was one of the more significant State officials of all time-- Speaker of the State House (taking the call from Washington, D.C. when the Statehood Bill passed the U.S. Congress), First Mayor of Maui County, public school educator, and community builder as he led Kula Credit Union. He also had a great affinity and affection for Maui's filipino community throughout his public career and in his business and community affairs after leaving elected office. It is certainly fitting to honor his memory by renaming the access road to our airport. He played a big part in making modern Maui no ka oi.