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#### April 5, 2022 3:05 P.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 224/Teleconference **S.C.R. 143/S.R. 127**

#### URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO NAME THE MOKULELE BIKE PATH AFTER FORMER STATE REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH "JOEY" W. BERTRAM III IN RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION OF HIS LIFE AND ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MAUI VETERANS HIGHWAY BIKE ROUTE

## Senate Committee on Transportation

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **opposes** S.C.R. 143/S.R. 127 which urges the DOT to name the Mokulele Bike Path after former state Representative, Joseph "Joey" W. Bertram III, in recognition and celebration of his life and role in the development of the Maui Veterans Highway bike route.

The DOT supports efforts to recognize and honor the contributions that members of the state legislature make to the community. However, signage along the bike path may become an obstacle to users and present safety issues. In addition, fabricating, erecting and maintenance of the signs will require resources from the District's maintenance staff that are better used maintaining existing highway signs.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

# <u>SCR-143</u>

Submitted on: 4/2/2022 4:04:49 PM Testimony for TRS on 4/5/2022 3:05:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mike Moran	Testifying for Kihei Community Association	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

As you know Joe served in the house representing our region of Maui some years back, but that was sure not his only public service. He served on our all volunteer non profit board for many years working dilligently to support the community. One his major issues was working to make So Maui what was stated in our community plan, a walkable- bikeable community. Getting this safe segregated bike plan was one of his successes, so it sure would be appropriate to apply his name to it Mahalo

Mike Moran President KCA

<u>SCR-143</u> Submitted on: 4/1/2022 5:17:15 PM Testimony for TRS on 4/5/2022 3:05:00 PM

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Comments:

Please pass this resolution to honor my brother joey Bertram

## <u>SCR-143</u>

Submitted on: 4/2/2022 10:54:38 AM Testimony for TRS on 4/5/2022 3:05:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Rob Weltman	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Joe Bertram III is a Maui hero for his role in promoting opportunities for people to get around and to exercise by foot and bike. This promotes health and longevity, reduces traffic and air pollution and increases the beauty of our state. Naming the Maui Veterans Highway (ex-Mokulele Highway) bikeway in his honor is an appropriate action.