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Mr. Tommy Waters Chairman, Honolulu City Council tommy.waters@honolulu.gov

Subject: SUPPORT for Bill 27 - Relating to Special Management Area Use Permits

Alcha Chair Waters,

Bill 27 would require applicants for special management area use permits to present their proposed project to the applicable neighborhood board or appropriate community association prior to submitting their application to the Department of Planning and Permitting.

On July 1, 2021, the Kailua Neighborhood Board (KNB) unanimously approved the following resolution: "The Kailua Neighborhood Board supports Bill 27 relating to Special Management Area Use Permits that requires, prior to submitting an application for a Special Management Area Use Permit to the Department of Planning and Permitting, the applicant must present the project to the neighborhood board of the district where the project is located."

The importance of neighborhood board and community awareness of proposed projects within the community was underscored during the proceedings last year of a proposal to build an apartment complex within a Kailua residential neighborhood.

The KNB strongly supports the adoption of Bill 27.

Mahalo for your consideration!

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Sincerely,

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