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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee.

My name is Shannon Hirai, and I am an alumni of the Kalani High School baseball team along with being a former assistant and head coach of baseball at Kalani High School for over 30 years. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. This is important to me because I've spent many years maintaining Kahala Park specifically for the Kalani High School baseball team as their home field for many years. As their former head coach, not having a home field can feel devastating. I strived to teach the players to be proud of where you come from and models of positive influencers in our community through which they took pride of the Kahala Park by maintenance of the field and its surroundings trash.

During that time, I have had many compliments on Kahala Park in which professional baseball coaches, players and scouts enjoy using the field to hold trainings and workouts. These professionals included Lenn Sakata, Keoni DeRenne, Isiah Kiner-Falefa, Kolten Wong, Eric Tokunaga, and many others to include. Also the Hawaii winter league and international professional baseball players has used this field for practice.

Again, above are the many reasons why I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

Sincerely,

Sham J.H.

Shannon Hirai

(Kalani High School baseball alumni and former coach)

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Written Testimony

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My name is Mona Kini. I live in the Kaimuki area. Both of my sons played baseball for Kalani High School. The school does not have

a baseball field.

Written Testimony

I support Bill 5 Resolution 22-10.

Please pass this measure. It is important for the school and it's

students

Mahalo for your consideration.

Mona Kini

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee.

My name is Keala Fujimori, and I am a Flight Attendant and Business owner who lives in the Waialae Kahala area. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. This is important to me because Kahala park has been such a big cornerstone in the baseball community for the entire state of Hawaii. I've personally began playing there since age 5 all the way until i graduated from Kalani in 2000. For 13 years we enjoyed the park as a place to stay out of trouble and enjoy sports. In the late 1990s when I was a high school baseball player. We literally hand picked every rock out of the infield dirt before practices until it became nice and smooth to where it remained for the past 20 years. The blood and sweat poured into this field by the community and players of Kalani High school would be a slap in the face by 1. Another ugly Hawaii contract to a company that couldn't do their job correctly and make the backstop right. 2. Complaints that come from people who have no history with the field, community or possibly not even born in Hawaii. 3. All the committee members who should be ashamed to even bring this all the way to a hearing.

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The new backstop is definitely better than the old one I used to play in front of. And we should work in the right direction. Its not fair to the kids and families that have used this park for decades and to the future of our community. You take away this park from sports and more kids will turn to drugs and violence. When the homeless learn that no one is using the dugouts and fields guess who your new neighbors will be? Yes, blue tarp tents set up and trash everywhere. Please think about the effects of your actions that will only satisfy a

hand-full of people that will not be here in 10-20 years and think about the thousands of athletes and families that will benefit from this place for the next generation. Thank you for your time and patience.

Keala Fujimori

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Dyson Murakami, and I am a Freshman at Kalani High School who plays outfield for the JV baseball team. I live in Aiea.

I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

Written **Testimony** This is important to me because although this is my first year at Kalani I think having a home field would be nice. This has been the home field of Kalani for over 50 years and it should continue to be. One reason is that recently we have taken time from practices to care for the field so we can resume practicing on it. In addition, it is our home that we practice on so we should also get to play our games here. I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Dyson Murakami

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Parks and Community Services Testimony

Written Testimony

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Parks and Community Services

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Dear Council Chair & Committee members,

Please pass Bill 5 & Resolution 22-10 for the health and welfare of

the youth within our community. Much benefit comes from

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accessibility to safe parks for our children.

Mahalo Nui Loa

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Aloha City Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to ask your support in passing Bill 5 & Resolution 22-10 so that the children within the community of Kalani High School will have continued access to Kahala Community Park to play baseball, as they have been doing for the past 50 years. This park has been so important for the health and welfare of our children, providing them

access to a safe environment to play a sport they love. Please support our Keiki.

Mahalo, Julie

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Written Testimony

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Aloha,

My name is Jasey Friel, a Junior at Kalani High, and I am writing in support of Kalani High School's baseball team. Our school is smaller than other schools with a baseball field (such as Kaiser, Moanalua, or Roosevelt) and the closest field is Kahala Field. Baseball games have

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been taking place within that field since before I was born. I support Kalani High Baseball practicing at Kahala Park, please pass Bill 5 and

Resolution 22-10. Mahalo for your time and consideration.

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

Written Testimony My name is Micah Friel, and I am a freshmen who lives in Waialaeiki. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. This is important to me because Kahala has been our home field for over 50 years and the field is well maintained and safe for students to play on. I respectfully request the

Honolulu City Council pass this measure. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo, Micah Friel

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

Written Testimony My name is Kupono Akaka, and I am a student and baseball player at Kalani High School. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. This is important to me because Kahala has been our home field for over 50 years and the field is well maintained and safe for students to play on. I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Kupono Akaka

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Hello, I am writing in support of Bill 5 & Resolution 22-10 so that my

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grandson can continue playing baseball within his own community.

Blessings, Anna Wong

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I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10 so the future students of

Written Testimony Kalani High School can continue to play baseball within their

community. Mahalo

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Kai Yamaguchi, and I am a freshmen at Kalani High

School. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. This is important to me

Written **Testimony** because Kahala has been our home field for over 50 years and the field is well maintained and safe for students to play on. I respectfully

request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo.

Kai Yamaguchi

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Yvonne Friel, and I am a Grandparent of a Kalani JV

Baseball player, who lives in Waialae.

I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.
This is important to me because I can no drive on the freeway and

Written Testimony having games at Kahala will give me the opportunity to see my

grandson play.

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Yvonne Friel

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Aloha,

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I am writing in support of Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10 so that the youth within our community can continue to play the sport that they love at a safe, accessible park within their own neighborhood.

Mahalo

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Aloha,

I am writing to support Bill 5 / Resolution 22-10 in support of Kalani High School Baseball team and their access to continue playing at

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Kahala Community Park, as they have been doing for that past 50 years.

Mahalo!

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Mahalo!

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee.

My name is Linda Morikone and I am a retired teacher who lives in

Kaimuki. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

This is important to me because my three children are proud and successful graduates of Kalani High School, an excellent public high school. My grandchildren are and will be attending Kalani, My second

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son played on Kalani's baseball and I strongly believe sports augmented and influenced my son's aptitude in life. Kalani High School unfortunately lacks a baseball field and hence throughout the years practiced and played their games at Kahala park. I and my entire family supported the team cheering at every game. Public parks are meant for all to enjoy. Please pass bill 5/ resolution 22-10. Thank

you.

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Cornwell Friel, and I am a parent of a Kalani JV

Baseball player, who lives in Waialae Iki. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

This is important to me because it will give guy son and his team somewhere to play close to home where friends and family can

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attend to watch them play

dicond to water their play

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Cornwell Friel

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children within our community. We humbly ask for your support to

pass Bill 5 / Resolution 22-10.

Mahalo!

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Mahalo!

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Mahalo!

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Mahalo!

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Mahalo!

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Dear Council Chair & Members of the Committee,

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park within their own community helps to promote the health,

wellbeing and safety of our youth. Mahalo for your support and efforts!

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Respectfully.

Kalani High School Baseball players and Supporters of Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10

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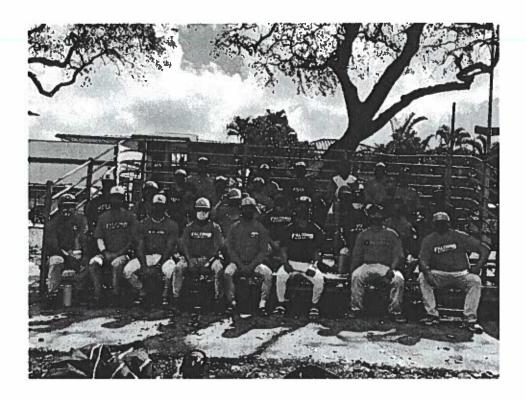
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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Michelle Sugihara, and I am a mother of 2 young boys that play baseball. We live in Aiea but due to work and traffic our boys played for 6 years with Wai Kahala which shares the area/field with the Kalani baseball team. Over the years I have seen how hard Kalani school, the baseball team and coaches worked to maintain the field and the batting cages. Although my children are not Kalani students they have been fortunate to use their facilities from time to time. Having the "big boys" running around the little one's just starting out makes a big impression on not only the kids but their families. We see the discipline, hard work and commitment it takes to be a team and to maintain the field. Numerous times we have had Kalani baseball team members volunteer during Wai Kahala tournaments. They work hard and teach the younger kids just starting out. This is something money can't buy.

Written Testimony

I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Michelle Sugihara

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Our names are Vern and Leanna Yamauchi and we are parents of a current JV baseball player for Kalani High School. We support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

This is important to us because Kalani baseball helps our son in many different ways. Kalani baseball has taught our son responsibility and teamwork. He has learned to help maintain the field with his teammates and they work together to help ensure the field is in great playing condition. He has played at Kahala park for many years and playing for Kalani has been a goal for him. We would love to see him reach this goal and play home games at Kahala field.

Kalani has played for over 50 years at this field and having a home field is an important aspect of sports. We take pride in our home field and look forward to playing there. Access to the field is convenient to school, especially for those who do not drive. The field is within walking distance from Kalani and we, as parents, do not have to take time out of our work day to drive our child to practice. The field is well maintained and is safe for students of any age to play on.

Please pass the Bill and Resolution to let us play games and continue to practice at Kahala field.

Sincerely,

Vern Yamauchi

Jeanna Yamauchi

Parents of current Kalani student and JV baseball player

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My name is Joseph Yamauchi and I am a current JV baseball player for Kalani High School. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

This is important to me because being a part of the Kalani baseball team helps make me a better person. I learn to respect others on the team and in the neighborhood. I take pride in helping maintain the field and learning from upperclassmen and former players on upkeep of the field as well. I played Waialae-Kahala baseball since I was younger and I would see the Kalani team practice and play games at Kahala field. I looked up to these players and it became a goal of mine to one day be able to play games at Kahala field as a Kalani Falcon.

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Please pass the Bill and Resolution to let us play games and continue to practice at Kahala field.

Sincerely,

Joseph Yamauchi

Current Kalani Student and JV Baseball Player

Joseph Yamauchi

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Our names are Nichole and Heather Yamauchi and we are sisters of a current JV baseball player for Kalani High School. We support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

This is important to us because our brother loves to play baseball and is becoming a better person and player. We enjoy seeing him play baseball games and the convenience of going to Kahala field. Kahala field has been home for our brother's baseball games for many years. We would love to see him continue his playing career at Kalani by playing games at Kahala field.

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Please pass the Bill and Resolution to let us play games and continue to practice at Kahala field.

Sincerely,

Nichole Yamauchi

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Sisters of current Kalani student and JV baseball player

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We are family members and supporters of a current JV baseball player for Kalani High School. We support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

This is important to him and our family because baseball has been a part of our lives for a long period of time. We have seen how much of an impact it has on our family member's life. Kalani has played for over 50 years at this field and having a home field is an important aspect of any sport. Access to the field is convenient to school, especially for those who do not drive. The field is within walking distance from Kalani and parents do not have to take time out of their day to drive their child to practice. The field is well maintained and is safe for students of any age to play on.

Please pass the Bill and Resolution to allow our family member and his team to play games and continue to practice at Kahala field.

Sincerely,

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Family members of a current JV baseball player

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Terry Tadaki 2339 10th Avenue Honolulu, HI 96816 January 22, 2022

Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Terry Tadaki, and I am an Alumni and Aunt of a baseball player on the Kalani High School JV Team.

I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. This is important to me because I enjoy watching my nephew play baseball and Kalani High School has played for over 50 years in this field.

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Terry Tadaki

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Karen Okubo 2339 10th Avenue Honolulu, HI 96816 January 22, 2022

Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Karen Okubo, and I am a Grandmother of a baseball player on the Kalani High School JV Team.

I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. This is important to me because I enjoy watching my grandson play baseball and Kalani High School has played for over 50 years in this field.

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Karen Okubo

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Todd Tadaki 2339 10th Avenue Honolulu, HI 96816 January 22, 2022

Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Todd Tadaki, and I am an Uncle of a baseball player on the Kalani High School JV Team.

I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. This is important to me because I enjoy watching my nephew play baseball and Kalani High School has played for over 50 years in this field.

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Todd Tadaki

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Please pass the Bill and Resolution to allow our nephew and his team to play games and continue to practice at Kahala field.

Sincerely,

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee.

My name is Hatsuho Hayashi, and I am a parent of Kalani High School Baseball Players, who lives in Honolulu. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

This is important to me because my children participate in Kalani High School Baseball program for their physical, mental and psychological practice to become good players as well as respectful adults through their experiences. The program has been very helpful to support my children having Kahala District Community Park as their home field since it is the most suitable baseball field in their school neighborhood. They feel they belong to the community by taking care of the field for maintenance and it's walk distance from school after school practice since they don't drive.

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Playing baseball has been such a joy to them, helping them become better persons and players, and keeping them busy to help self

discipline for many reasons.

I also love watching my children playing baseball in Kahala field because they have been playing baseball in the same field since elementary school and it's our home field. It also helps me to watch them in the field because it's in our neighborhood and convenient so I don't have to travel too far, especially after work.

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Hatsuho Hayashi

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I support kalani high school baseball team to play at Kahala

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This is important to me because my children participate in Kalani High School Baseball program and having Kahala Community Park as their

home game field help them tremendously. The park has been used and cared regularly by the baseball program and their parents as the part of our community for over 50 years. It

Written **Testimony** also helps them to commute after school since the park is in the neighborhood as a walk distance and many of the young athletes still don't drive. I'd humbly like to support them growing up as both good players and royal citizens throughout the experience supported by the

whole community.

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo.

Hitoshi Hayashi

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My name is Koki Hayashi, and I am a baseball player on the Kalani High School JV team who lives in Honolulu. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. This is important to me because Kahala field has been our home field for a very long time and I don't want that to change. I respectfully respect the Honolulu City County to pass this

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo,

Koki Hayashi

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Takumi Hayashi, and I am a student and student athlete who lives in Honolulu.

I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

This is important to me because I currently ply baseball at Kalani Highschool but they do not have a field on campus. Therefore we have to rely on public parks cooperation. I belive that a field is needed if our program and school is to be successful. Now, it may not look important to those who are not involved in matters of highschool sports but to us as players and the community it is a place where we give it our all. When we give our all the community comes togather and we thrive. As those who hold the power I belive it is easier and healthier if the community thrives. By taking away our field the community will be unhappy and more problems may occur. One problem maybe the threat to the health of the players. Teens especially in highschool need excerise. Athletes such as myself heavily rely on the use of the field for us to get our excerise. When we dont get our excerise more problems occur.

Written **Testimony**

> Another thing I'd like to mention is that if the home owner in question had known that there is a park there why build the home in the first place. If they didnt know then I belive it is their fault and should not have a say in what should happen to effect our program. In addition to the statement above I am more than happy to go to the house in question and argue for my stance. If that does not work I

could work out another way but I belive that is not in the best intreast for anyone, especially the house in question.

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo, Takumi Hayashi

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Dear Council Chair and Members of the Committee, My name is Colette Andrade-Fujii, and I am here to support Bill 5/Resolution 22-10.

Kalani High School has used Kahala Community Park as our home field for 50 years. Our coaches, administrators, and players take pride in taking care of this field.

Written Testimony

This program has produced outstanding athletes that give back to this community. Removing them from this park will hurt this school and the community it serves.

I ask that you support and pass Bill 5 / Resolution 22-10.

Mahalo

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My name is Kayttie Nakamura, and I am an alumni of Kalani High School and a current student at UCLA. I'm writing this testimony today to express that I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. I write today not only because I am a proud alumni of Kalani, but more importantly because I am a concerned sister of Rex Nakamura, a fellow Kalani baseball member who is currently on the team.

This is the first time since 1958 that Kalani will not have a home field to play on. The baseball team has always made sure to maintain the cleanliness and integrity of the field, mowing the lawns, cleaning up the sheds, and cleaning up the field after every practice. The athletes have also not been able to practice on the fields much in the last two years due to COVID. Despite this though, the City still has not been transparent with the Kalani staff as to why they are rejecting the permit.

A few years ago, I was here at the Honolulu Hale because of my accomplishments at the 2019 Trampoline and Tumbling World Championships. The City Council greeted and congratulated me with such genuine kindness. All I ask is that you show this same kindness to the same school that supported me in achieving my athletic dreams.

So many students look forward to baseball season all year, as it isn't a year-long sport like gymnastics. As an athlete, I cannot imagine not being able to compete on my own home field during my competitive season. Especially looking at the aftermath of COVID-19 on school sports, it is so important for the athletes to have team unity and bonding, and one of the most integral parts of this is having a home field where the athletes feel that they are supported by not only each other, but all members of the Kalani community. Only being allowed to play at an assigned away field takes away this important part of the sport for Kalani athletes, as well as decreases overall team morale. I want nothing more than my brother and his team to enjoy their high school baseball career playing at a field that feels like home.

I understand that with so much going on in the islands, that you have a lot to do. But I would not be writing to you today had I not been so concerned about the well-being of the Kalani coaches, athletes, and baseball program. I can honestly say that the community at Kalani High School has done so much for me over the years in my academic and athletic endeavors, regardless of the fact that I didn't actually compete for Kalani. All I am asking is that a permit be granted to Kalani to have a home field at Kahala, and if not that, then at least the chance for Kalani to have an open discussion with the City about compromises or other alternative solutions.

Thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedules to read this testimony. I once again respectfully request that the Honolulu City Council pass this measure, and I trust that the City will do the right thing and give these athletes the field that they deserve.

Mahalo, Kayttie Nakamura

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Dear Chair Waters and Members of the Council,

My name is Kevin Morikone and I am a graduate of Kalani High School. In addition, I had the privilege of playing four (4) years of baseball under Coach Shannon Hirai.

I write in strong support of Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10 and I urge this body to consider and pass the same based upon the following reasons:

1. The Benefits of High School Athletics - we are all aware of the benefits and values that high school athletics promote. One important benefit is that it instills teamwork and a sense of responsibility and pride in very impressionable teenagers. We were taught these values through taking care of and maintaining Kahala field. Kalani baseball has always been a steward of Kahala field. After every practice and game, the team would take care and maintain the field. Even on the weekends and during the off season, I remember working on the field because it was our responsibility to do so and we took pride in our field.

Written Testimony

- 2. This Issue Was Previously Resolved approximately 6 years ago the issue of foul balls was previously addressed and resolved. At that time, I had the privilege of serving as the Oahu Interscholastic Association's ("OIA") legal counsel. Our firm provided pro bono services to the OIA and the issue of foul balls was raised by the Department of Parks and Recreations ("DPR"). As a Kalani alum who benefitted from the baseball program and Kahala field, I took action by contacting the Mayor's office and the parties were able to reach a mutual understanding which ultimately led to the City building a new, and much larger backstop.
- 3. Kalani Baseball Has Always Mitigated The Risks and Taken

Responsibility - Based upon my prior involvement, Kalani Baseball has always taken appropriate action to reduce foul balls. For example, after discussions with DPR, Kalani refrained from taking batting practice on the field. Further, Kalani installed a netting system on the prior backstop to minimize foul balls from leaving the field. With respect to liability, in the rare event that a foul ball caused damage, Kalani took responsibility for the same.

- 4. An Easy Solution Exists a new netting system could be installed to minimize and possibly eliminate foul balls from leaving the field. It should be noted that when the City built the current backstop, the netting system that Kalani previously installed was eliminated.
- 5. Kahala Field Has Served as Kalani's Homefield for Over 50 Years prior to the great Lenn Sakata in the early 1970's, Kahala field has served as Kalani's homefield.
- 6. Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10 Will Facilitate A Resolution it is unfortunate that a formal Bill and Resolution needed to be drafted and submitted to address this issue. That being said, I am thankful for the hard work and effort of the Council to finally resolve this issue. As noted above, a simple solution and an understanding can be attained if the parties are willing to come to the table, roll up their sleeves and put in the effort. I know that Kalani is willing, ready and able to come up with solutions and reach compromises because as mentioned above, we previously accomplished the same. Thank you for your consideration.

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Kalani Falcons Athletic Boosters

My name is Don Omura. I am the president of the Kalani Falcons Athletic Boosters, a former assistant coach, and a former Kalani baseball player who lives in the Kalani district. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. For over 50 years, coaches, student athletes, and friends of the Kalani High School baseball team have diligently, responsibly and proudly cared for Kahala baseball field, the field we call our home field. The amount of time volunteers have put into Kahala field over the years has easily surpassed tens of thousands of hours. While the temporary loss of our home field for unavoidable

Written Testimony reasons is understandable (new backstop was being constructed in 2019), loss of the field due to conditions that were put into place by the C&C of Honolulu, not Kalani High School, seems unfair. Further, mitigating measures offered by the school, which were the same measures that were in place prior to the new backstop, have been rejected by the City. These same measures are in place and working

well at other high school baseball fields.

In the spirit of fairness, I believe the Department of Parks and Recreation should find a more equitable solution. As such, I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council to pass this measure.

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My name is Craig Fujikawa, and I am a Parent and Former Alumni / Baseball Player of Kalani High School, who currently resides in Kahala/Pueo St.

This Bill is important to me because it will help continue the well well-being of our community. This baseball park has been such a vital part of my family. Not only am I former Kalani Baseball Player who played on this field, I also coached my two sons on this field as well. Because I also reside near the field on Pueo St. this Baseball Park is like my back yard. I feel that it is vital to the stability of the community in which it serves. Not only does it serve Kalani High School Baseball team as a practice and a Home game field for over 5 decades, it also serves the needs of other Baseball Families from across the state. I've also seen Professional Baseball Players train on this very field during their off season.

I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this measure. I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Should you have any questions or requests for more information, please feel free to contact me via email or telephone at (808) 347-1029.

Mahalo!

Craig Fujikawa

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My name is Yukie Arita and I am a friend of baseball players,

who lives in Waikiki...

I support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

This is important to me because I believe the importance of kids

wellness through playing sports...

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I respectfully request the Honolulu City Council pass this

measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo, Yukie Arita

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Aloha. My name is Ryan Oda and I support Bill 5, Resolution 22-10.

This is an important matter to me since I am a varsity football coach at Kalani High School. Towards the end of our 2021 football season, I was informed that Director Laura Thielen declined Kalani's permit to use the baseball field at Kahala Park.

With a Mayor who supports sports, especially at the high school level, Director Thielen's actions was shocking. The irony behind this is the city repaired some parts of the baseball field a few years ago, but they did not do it correctly. Unfortunately, Kalani's baseball team is now being punished. In addition, for many years, Kalani's baseball program has always taken care of the baseball field. In addition, Kahala Park has been Kalani's home field for over 50 years.

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What is disappointing is Director Thielen has the authority to fix this issue; Director Thielen needs to put her petty politics aside and do the right thing. For whatever reason, she is dragging her feet. More so, word around town is Director Thielen has told people the Councilperson Tommy Waters was in support of her decision. This was one of the most absurd things I have heard. Matter of fact, Councilperson Waters, along with Mr. Sam Moku, have been working tirelessly together to find a solution for Kalani High School — thank you, Councilperson Waters and Mr. Moku.

Lastly, to the person who filed a complaint. Why would you ever buy a home next to the park? Perhaps — I say this tongue and cheek — a neighborhood like Lanikai, Kailua is more suited for you.

Go Falcons!

Ryan Oda Kalani High School Varsity Football Chief of Staff, Offensive Assistant Coach

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Kalani High School's Athletics Department

Dear Council Chair Waters and Members of the City Council

My name is Gregory Van Cantfort, and I am the Athletic Director at Kalani High School.

I want to express my unequivocal support of Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

On February 20, 2021, as Hawaii News Now reported, Mayor Blangiardi said, "We want to get the people playing," about asked about bringing back team sports. This quote from a "coach" resonated loud and clear in my mind as we worked hard to bring some normalcy back to Kalani's student-athletes!

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Kalani High School is tucked neatly between two ridges with no room to spare, so we have always relied on City and County Parks for our

baseball and softball programs.

Kalani baseball has used Kahala District Park for over 50 years as our "home" field situated in the middle of our community. Kalani has always respected that we would be subject to completing the permit process and abiding by the rules and regulations as a City and County Park permittee. To that end, we have also completed what was required of us.

We also recognized that we should also be good role models and a steward to the community where we live. We have spent countless hours and money maintaining the field, cutting the grass, maintaining the infield dirt, replenishing as necessary, fertilizing, pulling weeds, repairing damage from Sony Open parking. All of this was done not because we had to but because of our love for the community. We recognize that we are the face of that field.

The defining moment of giving back to the community is when our baseball program gives back to the youth leagues by volunteering to umpire youth league games at the field, working various youth baseball tournaments, and putting on clinics for the Keiki of our community. Some of these very keikis grow up and go through the Kalani baseball program, creating an incredible cycle of giving back to the community and Kahala District Park.

On November 30, 2021, we were confused when Craig Maeda stated that the Parks Department would not approve any permits for Kalani High School baseball practices or games due to foul balls in a virtual meeting with the Parks Department. We informed him that both the OIA and the State have an indemnification clause with the City-County assuming liability for damage and injury which has been in place for years. Craig Maeda acknowledged that Kalani has always taken care of any damages but that the complaints were becoming a "nuisance." The City and County have not incurred any cost for damage done by errant foul balls.

We reached an agreement to allow Kalani continued modified use of the field for practice which includes no live batting. Kalani was provided an alternate location by the Parks Department at Larry Goeas Field at Koko Head District Park. Upon inspection, it is substandard to Kahala Field, with numerous water leaks leaving centerfield a virtual swamp. The pitcher's mound does not meet high school standards, and the nearest bathroom is over a quarter a mile away. For the safety of the team and our opponents, this field was not a viable alternative.

So, in closing, I am respectfully requesting your support for Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10. We are asking that the Kalani Baseball Program obtain a permit to use Kahala District Park for games and practices as we have for over 50 years. The liability concern is a moot point covered through an indemnification clause written within the permit. The City and County have not incurred any cost regarding this issue.

Furthermore, the Department of Education and Kalani High School are willing to continue working with the Parks Department to mitigate the foul ball situation.

So, in closing, Kalani's baseball team would like to express their sincere appreciation for Council Chair Waters for coming to Kahala District Park to meet personally with the team.

Like the Mayor said, "we want to get the people playing."

I respectfully ask your support for Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

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Aloha Council Chair & Members of the Committee.

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Ceronda Enocencio.

I SUPPORT Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

As a former public service employee and advocate for children's health and wellness, it was disheartening to hear that a bill and resolution needed to be introduced to gain the attention of the leadership and management team of the Department of Parks and Recreation and in some way, 'force' some sort of resolve and collaboration amongst all parties involved.

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This matter also 'hits home' as many of my family members and loved ones are proud long-standing alumni, athletes, faculty members and/or current students of Kalani High School.

The incredible relationship and legacy that KHS has developed and healthily maintained since 1958—with the DPR, our community, as well as other communities—will attest to why this matter should have been quickly addressed and resolved with the DPR and the Department of Design and Construction.

With that said, Thank you very much, Council Chair Waters for the time and efforts made to investigate the matter and gather the facts necessary to introduce this much needed bill and resolution. We remain confident that all parties will find and implement a speedy solution that will be a 'win-win' for all.

Mahalo nui loa in advance Councilman Say for the time and expertise exerted. And to the remaining Members of the City Council, Thank You in advance for choosing to support Bill 5 and Resolution 22-10.

We hope that this will set a precedence for all government departments to collaborate and be transparent with each other as well as with the communities they serve and which directly support them.

Blessings always, CERONDA ENOCENCIO

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Mahalo,

Thomas Nakashima

I am a baseball player for kalani high school jv. And I would like to play at our home field for games and not away games. Also kalani has had this field for over 50 years. So can you do us a favor and get the

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field back for us so we can play at out home field.

Me ka'aha'a,

Shaun "Keola" Fisher Honolulu City Council

Office of Council Chair Tommy Waters

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