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Testimony

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**PARKS, ENTERPRISE SERVICES AND CULTURE &
THE ARTS (PESCA) Meeting**

Meeting Date: Jan 10, 2024 @ 01:00 PM

Support: 0

Oppose: 0

I wish to comment: 1

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Representing: Palekaiko Beachboys Club Inc.	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Jan 9, 2024 @ 12:39 PM
Testimony: Aloha Chair Tulba and committee members, Palekaiko Beachboys Club supports this bill for the following reasons: This bill ensures that the Hawaii (Waikiki) beachboy will have a place to apply their trade as an outrigger canoe captain, outrigger canoe second captain and/or surfing instructor near the cultural nexus of of Waikiki Beach, where the statue of Hawaii's legendary beachboy and world renowned waterman-Duke Kahanamoku and the Healing Stones of Kapaemahu are located at Kuhio Beach Park. This bill also ensures that the beachboys will have immediate access to the surf breaks called "Canoes" and "Queen's" ("Canoes" is the only place in the world you can ride a wave on an outrigger canoe on a daily basis.) Finally, Bill 63 further ensures that a "qualified nonprofit beachboy association " must be a qualified tax exempt entity under § 501 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, is in keeping with ROH § 38-1.3 Definitions. Mahalo for giving us this opportunity to submit testimony in support of Bill 63. Sincerely, Thomas J. Copp Acting Executive Director of Palekaiko Beachboys		