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Testimony

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Support: 1

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Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia‘āina, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Maddy Walsh, and as a resident of East O‘ahu, I am testifying **in support** of Resolution 24-64, authorizing the use of overt video monitoring in the City and County of Honolulu at scenic points in East O‘ahu.

I support this resolution because I believe it will: (1) enhance my own safety and peace of mind, (2) deter theft and other crimes in these areas, and (3) act as an efficient use of Hawai‘i’s law enforcement resources.

First, while the language of this resolution seems to be targeted more towards helping tourists, I think this resolution will have an overall positive impact on the safety and peace of mind of locals like me who leave their cars unattended to hike and visit these East O‘ahu sites.

Second, I believe overt video monitoring in these areas will deter not only theft and property damage, but other types of crime, too (vandalism, assault and/or battery, etc.).

Third, as it seems that HPD does not have the manpower to be consistently staking out these areas, overt video surveillance will likely be the most efficient use of Hawai‘i’s law enforcement resources to deter crime in the area, and, if necessary, identify suspects in any criminal activity.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Mahalo nui,

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