

RES24-222

Testimony

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

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

Meeting Date: Sep 25, 2024 @ 01:00 PM

Support: 6

Oppose: 0

I wish to comment: 0

Name: Kelli Timoteo	Email: boy.kelli@Gmail.com	Zip: 96792
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Sep 23, 2024 @ 04:38 PM
Testimony: I would like to express my full support for renaming the Waianae Boxing Gym in honor of Papa Fred. For countless years, Papa Fred served as a beacon of hope for many children in our community. Through his selfless dedication, he took countless kids off the streets and gave them a sense of purpose and direction. He didn't just teach boxing; he instilled values that helped shape these young individuals into respectful, responsible young adults. Renaming the gym for Papa Fred would be a fitting tribute to his lifelong commitment to uplifting our youth and providing them with opportunities to thrive.		
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Representing: State of Hawai'i - House of Representatives	Position: Support	Submitted: Sep 23, 2024 @ 04:40 PM
Testimony: In strong support		
Name: William Lono	Email: willskillz80h8@gmail.com	Zip: 96795
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Sep 23, 2024 @ 05:26 PM
Testimony: I SUPPORT Agenda Item: RES24-222. R.I.P. Papa Fred		
Name: George Timoteo	Email: kelliktimoteo@gmail.com	Zip: 96792
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Sep 23, 2024 @ 05:31 PM
Testimony: Here's a draft of a written testimony you can use to support renaming the boxing program or facility to honor Papa Fred: --- Aloha, My name is Boy Timoteo and I am writing to express my wholehearted support for renaming the boxing program to		

honor Papa Fred. For many years, Papa Fred has been more than just a coach to the youth of Waianae—he was a pillar of our community, a father figure to countless children, including myself, and a man of immense generosity and heart. His dedication to helping others and his unwavering commitment to the betterment of our community is something that deserves to be recognized and celebrated.

As a young child, I was fortunate to have been taken in by Papa Fred when I had nowhere else to go. He gave me guidance, fed me, and provided a safe space for me to grow. Not only did he teach me the skills and discipline of boxing, but he also imparted valuable life lessons that I carry with me to this day. Over the years, Papa Fred helped many children who were lost, neglected, or struggling, treating each and every one of us as if we were his own.

When I had children of my own, I brought them to Papa Fred so they too could learn from his teachings. Together, we traveled on many trips as a family, and through these experiences, I witnessed firsthand how much he cared for each child, always encouraging them to be the best version of themselves—both in and out of the ring. His love for Waianae and his community was unmatched.

Renaming the boxing gym to honor Papa Fred is more than just a name change—it’s a testament to the impact he made on all of us. His legacy deserves to live on, not only in the memories of those who knew him but also in the future generations who will benefit from the program that he shaped and nurtured.

By honoring him in this way, we will continue to inspire young people in our community with the values that Papa Fred embodied—strength, kindness, dedication, and love. I urge you to support this name change and allow his spirit to live on through the program that meant so much to him and to all of us.

Mahalo nui loa for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Boy Timoteo

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 23, 2024 @ 07:10 PM
Testimony:		
The name should be changed to"POPS".		
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Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Sep 23, 2024 @ 08:28 PM
Testimony: Papa Fred may no longer be with us, but his impact will forever be felt. By renaming this gym in his honor, we ensure that his legacy lives on, reminding us all to strive for excellence, to lift each other up, and to always give our best. Thank you for considering this heartfelt tribute to a man who gave us so much.		