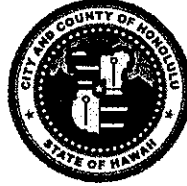


OFFICE OF CLIMATE CHANGE SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCY

KE KE'ENA LOLI ANIAU MĀLAMA 'ĀINA A ME KE OLA LOA
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

650 SOUTH KING STREET, 11th FLOOR • HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813
PHONE: (808) 768-2277 • EMAIL: resilientoahu@honolulu.gov • INTERNET: www.resilientoahu.org

RICK BLANGIARDI
MAYOR
MEIA



BENJAMIN SULLIVAN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR &
CHIEF RESILIENCE OFFICER
PO'O HO'OKŌ & KAHU OLA LOA

KEALOHA FOX
DEPUTY DIRECTOR &
CHIEF RESILIENCE OFFICER
HOPE PO'O & HOPE KAHU OLA LOA

January 28, 2025

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Bill 52 (2024), CD1 Relating to Electric Bicycles

The Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency supports Bill 52 (2024), CD1, which establishes public safety regulations for the use of electric bicycles ("e-bikes").

The City's Climate Action Plan prioritizes strategies that promote and enable cost-effective modes of clean transportation. E-bikes, when operated responsibly, provide accessible, zero-emission transportation that can complement existing public transit options to help reduce dependency on inefficient, single-occupancy vehicle trips. We recognize that while the rapid growth in e-bike usage presents an opportunity for pollution reduction and transportation affordability, it also presents public safety challenges, especially for keiki riders.

We support this measure's approach to balancing the safety needs of our community with the growing demand for transportation alternatives aligned with the City's climate action and affordability goals. Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony in support of Bill 52 (2024), CD1. Should you have any questions, please contact us at (808) 768-2277 or b.sullivan@honolulu.gov.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by: Sullivan, Benjamin
DN: CN = Sullivan, Benjamin
Date: 2025.01.28 22:58:08 -1000

Benjamin Sullivan
Executive Director and
Chief Resilience Officer

APPROVED:

Michael D. Formby, Managing Director Designate
Office of the Managing Director

MAYOR'S MESSAGE 11