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The Honorable Radiant Cordero, Chair
and Members
Committee on Infrastructure, Transportation and
Technology
Honolulu City Council
City and County of Honolulu
530 South King Street, Room 100
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Dear Chair Cordero and Members:

SUBJECT: Bill 73 (2025), Proposed CD1: Relating to Transportation

The Board of Water Supply (BWS) objects to Section 13 of Bill 73 (2025) Proposed Committee Draft 1 (CD1), that repeals Section 15-16.7 of the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu.

Section 15-16.7 provides the necessary legal authority for enforcement by the Honolulu Police Department ("HPD") at the BWS Beretania Complex. Without this section, BWS parking areas would effectively be treated as private property for enforcement purposes, and HPD would lack clear authority to issue citations or remove unauthorized vehicles.

BWS recommends replacing the language in Section 13 with the following:

"§ 15.16.7 Board of water supply off-street parking.

- (a) No person shall park any vehicle in the designated parking areas located away from public roads as shown on Exhibit 15-16.7 at the board of water supply Beretania Complex in the area bounded by Lusitana Street, Alapai Street, South Beretania Street, and Lauhala Steet, who has not been authorized by the manager and chief engineer;
- (b) No person shall park any vehicle contrary to any directions, instructions, or restrictions indicated by or on official signs and markings therein at any hour of the day or day of the week posted in or about the areas described in subsection (a);

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- (c) Any police officer or any person authorized by the chief of police or the manager and chief engineer is authorized to issue a citation to any person who violates this section and to remove or cause to be removed any vehicle parked within the designated parking areas shown on Exhibit 15-16.7 with the removal costs to be borne by the violator or owner of the vehicle that is parked in violation of this section.

See attached Exhibit 15-16.7
Designated Parking Areas at Board of Water Supply Beretania Complex

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony regarding Bill 73 (2025), CD1.

Very truly yours,



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EXHIBIT 15-16.7

DESIGNATED PARKING AREAS AT BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY BERETANIA COMPLEX

