RES26-193
Testimony

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Meeting Date: Sep 9, 2026 @ 10:00 AM

Support: 27

Oppose: 0

I wish to comment: 1

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 2, 2026 @ 09:47 PM

Testimony:

I, Johnnie-Mae L. Perry, STRONGLY SUPPORT RES26-193

URGING THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND THE HAWAI'I STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO REQUIRE THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY TO INCREASE THE FREQUENCY, CHEMICAL SCOPE, AND GEOGRAPHIC EXTENT OF GROUNDWATER TESTING FOR PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES AND PETROLEUM CHEMICALS IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE RED HILL BULK FUEL STORAGE FACILITY AND SURROUNDING AREAS.

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Self	Support	Sep 3, 2026 @ 01:42 PM

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Sierra Club of Hawai'i	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 03:52 PM

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Nanea Lo	naneaclo@gmail.com	96826
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 03:56 PM

Testimony:

Hello Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Nanea Lo and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

The EPA itself has told the Navy in 2024, 2025, and 2026 that more testing, and more data, is critical. Such data can help us understand what kind of contaminants we may need to monitor for and protect ourselves against, and comparisons with Board of Water Supply (BWS) water monitoring data can also help us anticipate where this Red Hill contamination may migrate to in the years and decades ahead.

Unfortunately, both the EPA and Hawai'i Department of Health have repeatedly declined requests from BWS to ensure

that the Navy does in fact increase its water monitoring activities. These requests continue to be denied, even after the detection of PFAS similar to those found in the Navy's wells in BWS wells to the west and northwest of the Red Hill Facility. This is unacceptable.

Please pass this resolution, and make clear the City Council's expectation that the Navy be made to take all steps prudent and necessary to help us understand the harm that has been inflicted on our ʻāina and wai; the threats this may pose to both people and environment in the future, including through contaminant exposure and migration; and what we can best do to protect ourselves and our future generations from these threats.

me ke aloha ʻāina,

Nanea Lo

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Kealii Pang	launahele@yahoo.com	96816
Representing:	**Position:**	**Submitted:**
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 03:58 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Kealii Pang, Ph.D. I am a resident of Oʻahu and a retired federal biologist, having served 26 years with the Pacific Islands Fish and Wildlife Office. I am a longtime member of the Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu. In 2015, I drafted a resolution for the Oʻahu Council of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, "Requesting the U.S. Navy to Expedite Corrective Actions to the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility and Safeguard Oʻahu's Drinking Water," which the Council adopted 15-10. I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which directs the federal EPA and the Hawaiʻi Department of Health to require the Navy to increase the frequency, scope, and geographic extent of groundwater testing for PFAS and petroleum chemicals.

The EPA told the Navy in 2024, 2025, and 2026 that more testing and more data are critical. This data will help us understand what contaminants we need to monitor and protect against, and comparisons with Board of Water Supply monitoring data will help us anticipate where Red Hill contamination migrates in the years and decades ahead.

Both the EPA and the Hawaiʻi Department of Health have repeatedly declined requests from the Board of Water Supply to increase the Navy's monitoring activities. These requests continue to be denied even after PFAS similar to compounds found in the Navy's wells turned up in Board of Water Supply wells to the west and northwest of the Red Hill facility. This is unacceptable.

As someone who spent a career protecting fish, wildlife, and the ecosystems of the Pacific Islands, and who raised concerns about this facility over a decade ago, I ask the Council to pass this resolution and make clear its expectation that

the Navy take every step necessary to help us understand the harm inflicted on our ʻāina and wai, the threats this contamination poses to people and the environment, and what we need to do to protect ourselves and future generations from these threats.

Mahalo nui for your consideration of this matter.

Me ka ʻoiaiʻo,
Kealii Pang, Ph.D.

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Representing:	**Position:**	**Submitted:**
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 04:12 PM

Testimony:
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My name is Christy Shaver and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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Earl Kim	mothra246@yahoo.com	96813

Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 04:16 PM

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My name is Earl J. Kim and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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Name:	Email:	Zip:
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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 04:32 PM

Testimony:

We must protect our water from forever chemicals and other contaminates released by the US Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility. The Navy has shown such a lack of concern and integrity about polluting Hawaiis drinking water.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 04:37 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Jessica dos Santos and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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Jessica dos Santos

Lifelong Kahuku Resident

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 04:55 PM

Testimony:

I strongly support 26-193

Please make sure our islands precious water is restored and safe for all!

Name:	Email:	Zip:
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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:

Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 05:03 PM

Testimony:

Aloha. This bill needs to pass for the safety and health of all of Honolulu county residents. I would like to take this a step further by saying, since most of us have so little faith that the navy will do the right thing in a timely manner, that the state/city take matters into our own hands and do our own testing and send the bill to the navy and that this has to happen if the navy wants their leases renewed. We have leverage. Let's use it. We know once the wai is contaminated, we are doomed. The navy doesn't care, they will move on. Please do the right thing for the people, the aina, and future generations Aloha.

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	I wish to comment	Sep 8, 2026 @ 05:27 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Linda Middleton and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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Name:	Email:	Zip:

Jessica Weaver	jweaver16711@gmail.com	96819
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Sep 8, 2026 @ 05:38 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Jessica Weaver and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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Mahalo nui for your consideration of this matter.

Name: John & Rita Shockley	Email: shockleyjr@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Free Access Coalition	Position: Support	Submitted: Sep 8, 2026 @ 05:41 PM

Testimony:

Aloha!

The Free Access Coalition supports RES26-193. Hawaii's public needs free access to clean drinking water. The Navy need to cooperate in this effort. "Forever Chemicals" (PFAS). Without diligent testing, how can we know what is happening at the Navy's well system? Information needs to be freely given.

We shouldn't have to be begging them to do what is Pono for O'ahu's residents.

Mahalo for your time.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Audrey Higbee	halujazz@gmail.com	96712
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 05:46 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is [your name] and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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Mahalo nui for your consideration of this matter.

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Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 06:23 PM

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 07:13 PM

Testimony:

I strongly SUPPORT RES26-193 which would require the Navy to increase the frequency, chemical scope, and geographic extent of groundwater testing for PFAS and petroleum substances and their byproducts in the Red Hill and surrounding vicinities. I have been a public member of the Fuel Tank Advisory Committee (FTAC) since 2019 so I am familiar with a lot of data on this matter. FTAC was create by the State Legislature in 2016 because 27,000 gallons of jet fuel leaked from the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility in 2014. Turns out this was just the tip of the iceberg. There have been numerous documented, and undocumented, discharges of fuel, aqueous fire fighting foam (AFFF), and hence PFAS, at and near Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam (JBPHH). Then, in Nov 2021, the infamous cart hitting the sagging PVC pipe full of jet fuel instead of fire suppressing water incident highlighted another Navy misdeed. 19,000 gallons of JP-5 fuel contaminated the drinking water of personnel living on current, and former, military property as well as the sole source basal aquifer that supplies most of Honolulu's drinking water. These petroleum and PFAS substances are in the ground and aquifer and are moving. Where and how far are they moving? The Navy and the Board of Water Supply (BWS) have differing opinions on this. However, the Board of Water Supply and the Navy have found alarmingly similar compounds and concentrations of many of these substances in areas consistent with groundwater flow models. It is time they worked collaboratively instead of at odds. The Navy must be required to share unredacted information with the BWS and to expand their scope and frequency of testing. Now is not the time to pull back on testing, much as the EPA would like us to believe the crisis is over. Yes, the fuel is out of Red Hill, hallelujah, but the 85 years of contamination lingers. Knowledge is power. We need more, not less, information. The citizens of Oahu deserve safe, clean water to drink. Thank you.

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
350Hawaii	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 07:59 PM

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Glenn Choy	choyhawaii@gmail.com	96839
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 08:06 PM

Testimony:

I strongly support this measure

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Richard Kite	coloneledamvc@aol.com	20001
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 08:36 PM

Testimony:

My name is Richard Kite and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy’s Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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Mahalo nui for your consideration of this matter.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Karen Luke	nahele@yahoo.com	96706
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 08:39 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, for data and ongoing information to protect our health today and into the future from contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

Other agencies, both federal and state, will not ensure that the Navy increases its water monitoring activities even with detection of PFAS similar to those found in the Navy's wells in BWS wells to the west and northwest of the Red Hill Facility.

Monitoring contaminants and comparing data with the Board of Water Supply (BWS) is the only way to get ahead should harmful chemical released by the spill spread.

Please protect the people of Oahu and our future generations.

Mahalo nui for your consideration of this matter.

Aloha,

Karen Luke in Ewa Beach

Name:	Email:	Zip:
lynne matusow	lynnehi@aol.com	96817
Representing:	**Position:**	**Submitted:**
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 08:59 PM

Testimony:

Please accept this as testimony in full support of this resolution.

The EPA and Hawai'i Department of Health have repeatedly declined requests from BWS to ensure that the Navy increase its water monitoring activities. These requests continue to be denied, even after the detection of PFAS similar to those found in the Navy's wells in BWS wells to the west and northwest of the Red Hill Facility. This is unacceptable.

Water is life. Tainted water is death. The EPA and state Health Department must do better. Jusst yesterday we learned that New York City Mayor Mamdani released 170,00 pages relating to toxins that were detected after 9/11. Many first responders and others are suffering ill effects from these toxins or have died, after repeatedly being told there was no danger. The released papers say otherwise. The powers that be 25 years ago new about these reports and hid them. The lawsuits will be coming. The state does not want to follow what happened in New york City I towes it to us to do better, do the studies, and release the results.

lynne matusow

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Kathy Shimata	katshimata@gmail.com	96822
Representing:	**Position:**	**Submitted:**
Self	Support	Sep 8, 2026 @ 11:09 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Kathy Shimata and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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Sarah McIntosh	mcintoshsarah@gmail.com	96814
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 9, 2026 @ 03:23 AM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Sarah McIntosh and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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Mahalo nui for your consideration of this matter and your work in office,

Sarah

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 9, 2026 @ 08:26 AM

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Sep 9, 2026 @ 08:33 AM

Testimony:

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:

Self	Support	Sep 9, 2026 @ 09:13 AM
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Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Sep 9, 2026 @ 09:45 AM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Kiana and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193, which will help to ensure that we have the data and other information we need to best protect our wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility.

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The Senate
Ka ʻAha Kenekoa

STATE CAPITOL
HONOLULU, HAWAIʻI 96813

September 9, 2026

The Honorable Chair Tommy Waters
The Honorable Vice Chair Andria Tupola
and Members of the Honolulu City Council
Honolulu City Council, City Council Chambers
Honolulu, HI 96813

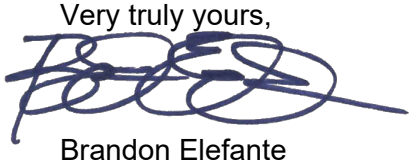
Dear Chair Waters and Members:

Subject: **Testimony in Support of Resolution 26-193**
RESOLUTION 26-193 – RED HILL BULK FUEL STORAGE FACILITY. Urging the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Hawaiʻi State Department of Health to require the United States Department of the Navy to increase the frequency, chemical scope, and geographic extent of groundwater testing for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances and petroleum chemicals in the immediate vicinity of the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility and surrounding areas.

My name is Brandon Elefante and I serve as a member of the Hawai'i State Senate representing the ʻAiea and Pearl City communities. I offer this testimony in **strong support** for Resolution 26-193. Clean water is vital resource to the livelihoods our communities. It's important that we are proactive to take every crucial step to be good stewards of how we monitor, treat, and deliver the best water resources we can to our communities. Increasing the frequency of testing and expanding the geographic scope around the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility and its surrounding areas will give key agencies and communities a better understanding on how best to treat per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances ("PFAS"). I strongly believe that the U.S. Navy can be good partners to advocate and take responsibility for these efforts.

I am grateful to Councilmember Radiant Cordero for introducing this measure and to the Honolulu City Council for having a discussion on this very important matter and I look forward to its supportive efforts moving forward with the necessary tools and resources to address this issue. Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Very truly yours,



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HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

Testimony in **SUPPORT** of Resolution 26-193
September 9, 2026
10 a.m.
City Council Chamber

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

On behalf of our over 20,000 members and supporters, the Sierra Club of Hawaiʻi offers testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT of Resolution 26-193,** which calls on the Department of Health and EPA to ensure that the Navy takes the steps necessary to protect ourselves, our wai, and our future generations from the contamination released from its Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility.

The Sierra Club of Hawaiʻi expresses its deep appreciation to the City Council (Council) for your continued efforts to protect our public trust water resources from the ongoing threats created by the U.S. Navy's reckless operation of its Red Hill Facility.

Unfortunately, the recent detections of PFAS "forever chemicals" in the Board of Water Supply's (BWS) wells to the west and northwest of the Facility – very similar to the PFAS found in the Navy's wells closer to Kapūkakī – only further highlight the real risk of contaminant migration in our aquifer. The westward flow of a contamination plume from Kapūkakī could threaten municipal drinking water wells, springs, and surface waters now and potentially for generations into the future.

Accordingly, much more testing, as called for by the BWS and in this resolution, is critical to helping us understand just what may be in our aquifer, where it is, and where it may migrate to in the years and decades ahead. However, thus far, both the Hawaiʻi Department of Health and EPA have refused to require the Navy to do its part in sufficiently monitoring and testing the groundwater it has contaminated.

This resolution will therefore provide a clear, strong statement from the City Council that Oʻahu expects and demands that the Navy be held accountable for the ongoing and future harms it has inflicted on our wai, our island, and our people, including by taking steps necessary to mitigate those harms through data collection and information sharing.

Accordingly, the Sierra Club respectfully urges the Council to **PASS Resolution 26-193.**

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this important measure.

I am Ted Bohlen, a former Hawai‘i Deputy Attorney General. I represented the Hawai‘i Department of Health (DOH) on safe drinking water matters for 15 years.

I **STRONGLY SUPPORT Resolution 26-193!**

The public needs more data and other information to determine how the public health of our wai can be best protected from per- and perfluoralkyl “forever chemicals” (“PFAS”) and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy’s Red Hill Fuel Facility.

The Board of Water Supply reported to the EPA and DOH on June 16, 2026 that it has detected a wide variety of PFAS in its drinking water and groundwater monitoring wells near the Red Hill Facility. More than ten types of these PFAS have also appeared in Navy wells.

PFAS in the groundwater may be migrating in a westerly/northwesterly direction within the aquifer. More testing and more data are critical. Such data can help us understand what kind of contaminants we may need to monitor for and protect ourselves against. Comparisons with Board of Water Supply (BWS) water monitoring data can also help us anticipate where this Red Hill contamination may migrate to in the years and decades ahead.

Please pass this resolution and urge the EPA and DOH to require the Navy to expand groundwater testing for PFAS and petroleum chemicals near the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility and surrounding areas. Testing should increase in frequency, cover a broader range of chemicals, and extend across a wider geographic area. The City Council should make clear that the Navy must take all prudent and necessary steps to help us understand the harm to our ‘āina and wai, the future threats to people and the environment—including contaminant exposure and migration—and the best ways to protect ourselves and future generations.

Mahalo!

Ted Bohlen

Manoa

In strong support of Resolution 26-193

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

I am Co-Founder of the Hawaii chapter of 350.org, the largest international organization dedicated to fighting climate change. 350Hawaii.org is in **strong support** of this measure which urges the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Hawai'i State Department of Health (DOH) to require the U.S. Department of the Navy to increase the frequency, chemical scope, and geographic extent of groundwater testing for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances and petroleum chemicals in the immediate vicinity of the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility and surrounding areas.

Passage of this measure is essential as it would help to ensure that we have the critical data and other information we need to best protect our precious wai, and our future generations, from the forever chemicals and other contaminants released from the U.S. Navy's Red Hill Fuel Facility. Data is needed to better understand the harms to the environment, as well as what mitigation efforts are required. Hawai'i ***had*** been blessed with some of the purest water on Earth, until the Navy, by their criminal recklessness and negligence, contaminated our sole source aquifer with jet fuel, PFAS, simple green, and we don't know what else. Bottom line: there should be NO jet fuel or any other contaminant in our precious drinking water or in our environment. Period. We must ensure their mess is cleaned up.

It is outrageous that both the EPA and DOH keep turning a blind eye to the Board of Water Supply's urgent calls for the Navy to increase water testing. They are denying these requests even after the detection of PFAS similar to those found in the Navy's wells in BWS wells to the west and northwest of the Red Hill Facility. This is an unacceptable threat to our water.

Even before the Navy's negligence, Hawai'i's drinking water supply was already at risk because of climate change. All the more reason to ensure we take great care in protecting our aquifer, keeping it safe for current and future generations. We welcome this measure, that simply urges the EPA and DOH to do their job, in addition to legislation that will lead to the complete and full remediation of our aquifer. Nothing less should be acceptable.

We urge you to **PASS Resolution 26-193.**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this very important measure.
Sherry Pollack
Co-Founder, 350Hawaii.org

Testimony for the Honolulu City Council
The Honorable Tommy Waters, Chair, and Andria Tupola, Vice Chair

9 September 2026

Res 26-193

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Council Members,

Thank you for considering my SUPPORT for the measure Resolution 2026-193. "Urging the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Hawai'i State Department of Health to require the United States Department of the Navy to increase the frequency, chemical scope, and geographic extent of groundwater testing for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances and petroleum chemicals in the immediate vicinity of the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility and surrounding areas."

In my previous service on Manoa Neighborhood Board No. 7, from 2015 to 2022, our Board was the first of Oahu's NB system to pass a resolution urging action on the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility's environmental releases, and we did so another two times as the crisis unfolded. There is islandwide support for taking care of our *wai*, because this is one water distribution system, and it is clear in this instance that there has been a single, identifiable polluter.

Having worked previously in public and environmental health (Environmental Health Specialist IV) at the Department of Health, I commend the Council for taking action. I would caution the Council to not fall back on the subject-matter expertise of the department for direction, as expert as they may be, because bureaucracies have their own interests. "Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances" are still not well-defined by the federal government. The City and County with the State will have to figure out what the proper toxicology of these pollutants is, lacking the kind of long-term data we have with the existing six Criteria Pollutants regulated more firmly by the US Environmental Protection Agency. Ultimately, the point of federal laws like CERCLA is to make the mitigation come swiftly as possible, paid and executed by the responsible party.

The Navy is very clearly responsible here.

When you have a Point-Source Pollutant such as those present at the Facility, you can tackle the monitoring and assessment of the problem early. Honolulu is a critical pivot point for the US Navy, and it is not unreasonable to leverage our need for truth and justice against their need for Honolulu land and water.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please vote 'aye' in support.

Mahalo nui loa,

DYLAN P. ARMSTRONG
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September 9, 2026

Honolulu City Council – Regular Meeting
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Honolulu Hale

Re: Support of RESOLUTION 26-193

Aloha Chair Waters and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

I submit testimony in **strong support** of Resolution 26-193. The Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility sits directly above Oʻahu's Moanalua-Waimalu aquifer, a critical source of our drinking water. The 2021 fuel release, the 2022 AFFF spill, and decades of fuel and chemical releases created a contamination problem - whose full extent is still unknown.

The possibility that per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), also known as "forever chemicals", may be moving beyond the Red Hill site is deeply concerning. The Honolulu Board of Water Supply emphasizes that a broader monitoring well network is necessary to understand how contamination may move through groundwater and to provide early warning before potential contaminants reach drinking water wells. In 2023, the Hawaii State Legislature passed HCR103 HD1 and HR109 HD1 to urge all branches of the United States military operating in Hawaiʻi to reduce the use of products containing PFAS.

We should not wait for additional contamination to be discovered in another drinking water source before increasing the frequency, chemical scope, and geographic reach of testing. Comprehensive testing is basic due diligence when the potential consequences involve the sole source aquifer that supplies Oʻahu's drinking water. Additional data will help inform regulators on whether contamination is migrating and where additional protections or remediation is required.

Please adopt Resolution 26-193 to urge the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Hawaiʻi Department of Health to implement comprehensive groundwater monitoring for future generations to come. Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony.

Sincerely,

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