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LAND USE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 23, 2019
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Kaneohe Bay View Golf Course
Bay View Banquet Hall
45-285 Kaneohe Bay Drive
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

TESTIMONY ON AGENDA ITEM IV: A17-804 HAWAII MEMORIAL LIFE PLAN, LTD. (Oahu)

TO THE HONORABLE JONATHAN SCHEUER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE LAND USE COMMISSION:

Hawaii LECET is a labor-management partnership between the Hawaii Laborers' Union, Local 368, its 5000+ members and its 250+ unionized contractors. The Laborers' Union is the largest construction union in the Nation.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in **SUPPORT** of Hawaiian Memorial Park's petition to expand its cemetery and establish a cultural preserve on 53.45 acres within the petitioned area. This project will benefit the community not only by establishing a cultural preserve in partnership with the Ko'olaupia Hawaiian Civic Club, but will also protect 156.5 acres of privately-owned conservation land by placing it in a conservation easement with the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust to ensure no further development. Additional benefits from this project include implementation of storm mitigation measures for this area, protection of cultural sites by securing the area through fencing, and providing an adequate minimum 150-foot buffer between the homes and cemetery.

Hawaii LECET believes that Hawaiian Memorial Park has adequately addressed community concerns and therefore supports its petition to amend the Conservation Land Use District Boundary and acceptance of their final Environmental Impact Statement.

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April 23, 2019

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**RE: TESTIMONY ON AGENDA ITEM IV: A17-804 HAWAII MEMORIAL LIFE
PLAN, LTD. (Oahu)**

Dear JONATHAN SCHEUER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE LAND USE
COMMISSION,

The Hawai'i Construction Alliance is comprised of the Hawai'i Regional Council of Carpenters; the Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368; the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' Union, Local 630; International Union of Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers, Local 1; and the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3. Together, the member unions of the Hawai'i Construction Alliance represent 15,000 working men and women in the basic crafts of Hawai'i's construction industry.

The Hawaii Construction Alliance would like to submit testimony in SUPPORT of Hawaiian Memorial Park's petition to expand its cemetery and establish a cultural preserve on 53.45 acres within the petitioned area.

Not only will this project will benefit the community not only by establishing a cultural preserve in partnership with the Ko'olauloa Hawaiian Civic Club, but it will also protect 156.5 acres of privately-owned conservation land by placing it in a conservation easement with the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust to ensure no further development. Additional benefits from this project include implementation of storm mitigation measures for this area, protection of cultural sites by securing the area through fencing, and providing an adequate minimum 150-foot buffer between the homes and cemetery.

The Alliance believes that Hawaiian Memorial Park has adequately addressed community concerns and therefore supports its petition to amend the Conservation Land Use District Boundary and acceptance of their final Environmental Impact Statement.

Mahalo,

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Nathaniel Kinney
Executive Director
Hawai'i Construction Alliance
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April 22, 2019

Jonathan Scheuer, Chair
Land Use Commission
P.O. Box 2359
Honolulu, HI 96804

RE: A17-804 Hawaii Memorial Life Plan, LTD (Oahu)

Aloha Chair Scheuer and Commissioners:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on behalf of Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP) in **strong support** of the Hawaiian Memorial Park (HMP) Cemetery Expansion Project.

HMP Cemetery is a full-service cemetery providing the community with burial plots along with a variety of interment options, and has been at its present location in Kaneohe since 1958.

The HMP Cemetery Expansion Project addresses the dwindling supply of interment space on Oahu, and should not have a significant impact on the surrounding area. HMP's Parcel 1 is 164.4 acres. Of the 53.45-acre Petition Area, only 28.2 acres would be for cemetery use. The remaining 25.25 acres of the site would consist of internal roadways, open space, and land for the establishment of a Cultural Preserve. Remaining undeveloped areas of HMP's property outside the Petition Area would continue to remain undeveloped (103.07 acres). The entire 156.5 acres will be placed in conservation easement with the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust to ensure no further development.

Moreover, the HMP Cemetery Expansion Project will bring significant economic benefits to Oahu:

- The development of the HMP Expansion Project will bring in an estimated \$29.3 million of new, direct capital investment with significant unquantified indirect expenditures into Oahu's market;
- The project will generate \$141.7 million in total economic activity in Oahu during its build-out and absorption over a sixteen-year period (forecast from circa 2020 to 2035).
- It will contribute some \$5.9 million in annual economic activity on a stabilized basis thereafter.

We strongly encourage the Land Use Commission to accept the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the HMP Cemetery Expansion Project. Thank you for this opportunity to submit written testimony.

Sincerely,



Christopher Delaunay
Government Relations Manager



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Hawaii State Land Use Commission

April 22, 2019

RE: **SUPPORTS THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE PETITION TO AMEND THE CONSERVATION LAND USE DISTRICT BOUNDARY INTO THE URBAN LAND USE DISTRICT FOR APPROXIMATELY 53.449 ACRES OF LAND AT KĀNE'OHE, ISLAND OF O'AHU, STATE OF HAWAII TMK (1) 4-5-033: POR . 001**

Dear Commission,

My name is Pane Meatoga III and I am the Community Liaison representing the Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund (HOEISF). We are a labor management fund representing 4000 unionized members in the heavy engineering site work and 500 general contractors specializing in heavy site and vertical construction.

Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund **supports the Acceptance** of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Petition To Amend The Conservation Land Use District Boundary Into The Urban Land Use District for Approximately 53.449 acres of Land at Kāne'ohe, Island of O'ahu, State of Hawaii TMK (1) 4-5-033: por . 00.1

The Proposed Action consists of two components: 1) expansion of the HMP cemetery to include 28.2 acres of new cemetery space; and 2) creation of a 14.5-acre Cultural Preserve immediately northeast of the cemetery expansion area. Remaining portions of the larger 164.4 acre property surrounding the Petition Area would remain undeveloped. A conservation easement with the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust would be placed on 156.5 acres of the larger parcel (less HMP's 7.9- acre Ocean View Garden section), restricting future development of the property except for execution of the Proposed Action.

Besides the smaller cemetery footprint, the donated land for cultural preservation and cultural practitioners, and leaving the remaining land undeveloped there are other benefits that will benefit the state of Hawaii and community of Kaneohe. Here is a short list of these benefits:

- The development of the HP Expansion project will bring in an estimated \$29.3 million of new, direct capital investment with significant unquantified indirect expenditures into the island's market
- The project will generate \$141.7 million in total economic activity island wide during its build-out and absorption over a sixteen-year period (forecast from circa 2020 to 2035).
- It will contribute some \$5.9 million in annual economic activity on a stabilized basis thereafter.

- The construction of the HMP Expansion will directly create an estimated 73 "worker-years" of employment (the equivalent of 52 work weeks at 40 hours per week) in the trades and supply businesses during build-out, with an estimated \$5.9 million in wages.

Sincerely,

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Pane Meatoga III
Community Liaison
Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund



improving the quality of lives of pets and their people.

April 23, 2019

To: The Land Use Commission

From: Alicia Maluafiti on behalf of Five Generations

RE: Expansion of Hawaiian Memorial Park

Aloha Members,

I am writing in support of the final EIS for the expansion of Hawaiian Memorial Park. I appreciate that the EIS has addressed the questions and concerns raised by our ohana as well as the community.

Simply - we need a place to say aloha to our loved ones and this project is sorely needed on an island in which there are very few places to do this. It not only serves our purpose, but it provides important opportunities to perpetuate our native Hawaiian culture.

I have a personal connection to the cemetery since it is the resting place of five generations of the Mahukona and Chan Ohana including my great grandfather, Officer David Mahukona, a solo bike officer for the Honolulu Police Department, who died in 1923 in the line of duty. My grandfather, Libert Koko Chan from Hana, and grandmother, Hazel Mahukona Chan from Papakolea, are also buried here along with numerous other family members including my grandmother's sister and brother and their ohana, and my dad's two brothers and their children and grandchildren.

Most of our ohana now lives on the west side of Oahu because it offers the most affordable choices in housing. But to this day - we continue to bury family at Hawaiian Memorial Park because everyone wants to be together. Four times a year, I take my father who now has dementia to the park to place flowers on the graves. The rest of the family takes turns to make sure that those that have passed are not forgotten.

Hawaiian Memorial Park and their staff are wonderful stewards to the families resting here. They exude compassion and caring every day. Please look favorably on this expansion effort so that future generations have a resting place.