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Aloha,

Attached please find PRP's testimony for Agenda Item IV. on the January 22, 2020 LUC agenda.

Thank you,

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Testimony of  
Pacific Resource Partnership

State of Hawaii Land Use Commission  
Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism

Docket A17-804  
Hawaiian Memorial Life Plan  
January 22, 2020

Dear Land Use Commissioners:

Pacific Resource Partnership writes in strong support of Hawaiian Memorial Park's petition to expand its cemetery and establish a cultural preserve on 53.45 acres of its 164.4-acre parcel.

The Hawaiian Memorial Park (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.

Today, HMP continues to provide a vital service to the community, however the available inventory of burial, interment and memorialization space at the cemetery is nearly exhausted. Given that this is one of only a few active cemeteries on Oahu, the approval of HMP's expansion plans is an important step towards meeting the growing demand from Hawaii's aging population.

Moreover, HMP has made a good faith effort to address cultural and environmental concerns associated with the site:

- 14.5-acres of cultural preserve for the protection of the Kawaewae Heiau;
- A conservation easement on the entire parcel to prohibit future development; and
- A voluntary management plan to protect the habitat for the endangered damsel flies.

Given the above, PRP respectfully requests this Commission allow for the expansion of this project. Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on this matter of public interest.

