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Subject: C&C of Honolulu - Important Agricultural Lands (IAL) Designation

RE: 4-1-025-006 & 4-1-025- 007 (My Property)

Dear Mr. Orodenker:

Please make sure that the following is submitted as public testimony for C&C HNL IAL.

I am opposed to the planned IAL program which will adversely affect my property and respectfully request that my property be excused and excluded from any IAL designation.

I am a widow. My property has been in our family for generations, it has been our family home where my husband and I are raised our children, grand-children and great grand-children, and will stay in our family for generations to come. My husband was born and raised in Hawaii and was a Veteran who worked hard to provide for his family and leave us with our home, security and a legacy.

Agricultural activity has been conducted on our property for decades and continues to be conducted. This IAL is a flawed and defective designation that will severely adversely affect us.

1. **I was NEVER informed of this IAL Designation affecting my property.** Had I been informed, my husband and I would have immediately and formally objected to this change and taken all legal measures to protect our property from this.
2. My neighbor received a letter from the LUC dated April 12, 2021, regarding her agriculture property and

asked me if I received a letter. **I did not receive a letter from the LUC.** My initial impression was that this was affecting her property and not mine.

3. I received an awareness letter from a Law Firm dated 4/12/2021, informing me that my property was indeed affected by this IAL. This is the first time that I had any knowledge that my property was involved with this IAL. **LET ME REPEAT: This is the first time that I had any knowledge that my property was involved with the IAL.**

4. As such, because I have not been informed properly and in a timely manner from any governmental entity, **I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT MY DUE PROCESS UNDER THE LAW HAS BEEN DENIED.**

5. I do not feel that government statutory requirements have been met regarding the IAL and my property.

6. The City NEVER consulted me or informed me of any options, rights, criteria or negative impacts on my property. It is completely unacceptable that notification from a Law Firm was how I found out about IAL.

7. I am completely opposed to this IAL moving forward.

I am officially requesting that my property indicated above be excluded and exempt from the IAL.

In my opinion, this IAL designation is poorly planned and regarding owner notification poorly executed. It appears to encompass a broad sweep of ambiguity, which is poorly and incompletely thought out. IAL adversely affects many law abiding land owners on multiple levels. There is a serious problem in that there are so many land owners indicating that they also were not or have not been informed of this.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration of these issues.

Sincerely,

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