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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Testimony for Meeting February 9, 2023, RE: Kūlanihākoʻi High School
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Aloha Chair Giovanni and Members of the Commission,

I am Jonathan Palencia, a freshman at Kūlanihākoʻi High School in Kihei. I appreciate you taking the time to reconsider the issue of the improvement Condition imposed by your Commission in 2013.

I am really disappointed to still be attending school at Lokelani Intermediate School's campus because we are not allowed to use our campus buildings that are ready. This affects me personally because sharing a campus with the middle schoolers can be very distracting. It was gracious of them to host us, but my education is being affected due to this. We are also very much limited in space and tools in these small portables. With the new campus, we will have much more access to technology and other resources. Also, the current campus is not ideal for P.E. We are having to go to the field next to the middle school to do any physical activity.

I understand the importance of safety, and I pledge not to cross the highway on foot but to use the transportation provided by the school and my parents. Please consider those most affected by your decision and amend the 2013 Condition to allow us to safely use our campus while the adults keep discussing the grade-separated pedestrian crossing.

Mahalo,
Jonathan Palencia
Freshman
Kūlanihākoʻi High School

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