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Testimony of Linda L. Smith
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Before the

House Committee on Finance

Friday, March 28, 2008, 4:30 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 308

SB 2423, SD2, HD1 Relating to Land Acquisition

Chair Oshiro and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to represent Governor Lingle on SB 2423, SD2, HD1 in support of this measure that provides tools for the acquisition of lands at the area known as Turtle Bay on Oahu's North Shore.

Before discussing the specifics of SB 2423, SD2, HD1, I would like to provide some history behind the Governor's State of the State Address when she introduced the idea that the State, in collaboration with private, public, and non-profit partners, should purchase the 850-acre Turtle Bay property. For several years the Lingle-Aiona Administration has been monitoring activities on the North Shore. Governor Lingle has long been troubled by the proposed development of a major resort complex in this area and the impact this would have both on the public infrastructure and the quality of life for Oahu residents and visitors.

She was encouraged last year by two significant purchases of land supported by the North Shore community. A coalition of community, public, and non-profit organizations came together to preserve the Waimea Valley and to purchase Pupukea-Paumalu. During her State of the State Address the Governor recognized several of the community leaders who were instrumental in these efforts.

When it was announced that the Turtle Bay creditors filed a foreclosure lawsuit against the Turtle Bay owners, Governor Lingle recognized this was the opportune time for the State to publicly express its interest in preserving and protecting nearly five miles of pristine coastline and some of the last remaining open space along the North Shore.

The Legislature also has long recognized the significance of this area and in 2006 proposed House and Senate Resolutions calling for the rigorous reexamination of the expansion of the Turtle Bay Resort. While neither of the 2006 resolutions passed, in 2007 the Legislature enacted HCR 194 that requested the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the House Committee on Labor to convene a joint hearing on the impacts of the Turtle Bay Resort expansion on the vibrant North Shore of Oahu. Unfortunately, this joint hearing never took place.

In 2008 we have the opportunity to join together, Legislative and Executive branches, private and non-profit, community-based and national, federal and local, to save this unique and special place.

SB 2423 SD 2, HD1 is modeled along the lines of the successful Kukui Gardens legislation that allowed the preservation of affordable housing in downtown Honolulu. First, it provides unspecified sums for the Governor, or her designee, to negotiate with the current landowner, Oaktree Capital Management, and to enter into cooperative agreements with other entities to help acquire the property. Second, it further authorizes the issuance of an unspecified amount of general obligation bonds for the possible purchase of the property and provides that these bonds shall not lapse until June 30, 2010. Third, it authorizes the use of eminent domain powers should an agreement not be reached.

We appreciate the fact that HD1 includes language that allows the State to acquire both the improved and unimproved lands. We also appreciate that the language in HD1 includes provisions allowing the State to use private investments and donations, federal funds, special funds, public lands, and other assets to carry out the negotiations and proceed with the acquisition. Governor Lingle has been encouraged by the outpouring of support she has received from a wide variety of organizations and entities who want to help in this endeavor.

To ensure the success of this endeavor, Governor Lingle met with Department of the Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne in late February to gain federal support for this effort. We are in regular communications with Secretary Kempthorne's staff and are exploring several funding streams suggested by his office. Governor Lingle also held a Community "Talk Story" on March 4th that was attended by an estimated 500 people, the vast majority of whom supported the project.

Governor Lingle also formed the Turtle Bay Advisory Working Group in early March and that group has already met several times. Representative Magaoay is an active member. Additionally, the Governor has had constructive conversations with Oaktree Capital Management and their interests in selling the property and Benchmark Resorts on the long-term viability of the resort.

Regarding the funding for this effort, we would like to suggest that section 6 of the bill be deleted, since the Administration does not believe that general funds are

needed at this time. We would request that section 7 be amended to reflect the appropriation of \$250,000 from the Special Land and Development Fund for the purposes of negotiating with Oaktree Capital Management, Kuilima Resort Company, or other parties of interest. We would ask that the amounts in section 8 remain blank and that the Governor's team have an opportunity to work with the conferees on this portion of the legislation.

We appreciate the support this project has received from the Legislature, members of the public, federal agencies, national organizations, and even international organizations in pursuit of the truly worthy goal of preserving Turtle Bay.



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in consideration of
SB 2423, SD2, HD1
RELATING TO LAND ACQUISITION.

Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee and Members of the House Committee on Finance.

We support SB No. 2423, SD2, HD1, Relating to Land Acquisition. The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds and authorize the governor or the governor's designee to acquire the area commonly known as Turtle Bay Hotel and Resort and the accompanying undeveloped property.

The Turtle Bay property includes about five miles of coastline, much of which is pristine and undeveloped and other large tracts that remain in their natural state. The property is also a critical piece in maintaining rural character of the North Shore. Acquisition of the Turtle Bay property will protect this area and allow the community as a whole to shape its future.

This bill provides several avenues which can be utilized to pursue the acquisition of this important property including appropriations, general obligation bonds, the exchange of public lands, federal funds, private funds and other means of financing. It is critical to have this flexibility in order to maximize the potential for a successful outcome in the pursuit of this acquisition.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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(Testimony is 1 page long)

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 2423 SD2 HD1

Chair Oshiro and members of the Committee:

The Sierra Club, Hawai'i Chapter, with 5500 dues paying members statewide, supports SB 2423 SD2 HD1, exploring dedicated funding approaches to protect the Turtle Bay area in perpetuity. We appreciate the multi-pronged approach to accomplishing this objective that SB 2423 SD2 HD1 offers.

As you may know, the Sierra Club is a co-plaintiff in a lawsuit seeking to require a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed resort expansion at Kawela Bay and Turtle Bay Resort. The litigation stems from the massive development planned for Turtle Bay Resort on the North Shore of O'ahu by Kuilima. The project contemplates the expansion of the Turtle Bay Resort to some five times its existing size to approximately 3500 total hotel and condominium units. The Sierra Club joins Keep the North Shore Country in its concerns that the Kawela Bay Project—now being undertaken nearly 25 years after the original environmental review was completed—will have significant impacts and cumulative environmental effects which have not been properly evaluated or considered by the County or the developer.

The Turtle Bay area contains breathtaking coastline, sensitive wetland environments, and endangered species habitats. It is a playground for Hawai'i residents as well as visitors. It is also a good area for fishing on the North Shore—but accessibility through the existing “private property” has been raised as a concern. Protecting the Turtle Bay area in perpetuity would serve current and future generations well.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



**THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND'S TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF
SB 2423, S.D. 2, H.D. 1 WITH COMMENTS**
House Committee on Finance
Friday, March 28, 2008, 4:30 p.m., Room 308
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Aloha Chairpersons Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee and committee members:

The Trust for Public Land (TPL) supports the intent of SB 2423, S.D. 2, H.D. 1 Relating to Land Acquisition, which proposes to allocate funds towards the acquisition of undeveloped lands around the Turtle Bay Resort, but has the following concerns. TPL's mission is to support voluntary land conservation, and cannot support efforts to condemn the property against the landowner's wishes. Further, TPL has deep reservations about tapping funds such as the Legacy Lands Fund.

TPL conserves land for people to enjoy as parks, gardens and other natural places, ensuring livable communities for generations to come. Nationwide, TPL has five program initiatives: (1) providing parks for people, (2) protecting working lands (farms, ranches, and forests), (3) conserving natural lands (wilderness, wildlife habitat), (4) safeguarding heritage lands (cultural and historical resources), and (5) pre serving land to ensure clean drinking water and the natural beauty of our coasts and waterways. In Hawai'i, TPL has worked with public and private partners to conserve over 36,000 acres of land in the State, including Pūpūkea-Paumalū and Waimea Valley on O'ahu, Wao Kele o Puna on Hawai'i Island, Mū'olea Point on Maui, and Lumaha'i Beach on Kaua'i.

First, TPL was as surprised as the Legislature by the Governor's State of the State address and the announcement of an initiative to acquire the Turtle Bay Resort. Nonetheless, we support the bold initiative, and believe that by working in partnership with the Legislature, federal agencies, our Congressional delegation, the community, the business community, and private donors, we can together, achieve our vision of preserving the unique rural character of North Shore, and at the same time, enhancing much needed jobs provided at the existing resort and golf courses.

Second, TPL also supports authorizing the Governor to acquire the developed portions of the resort to give her maximum flexibility.

Thirdly, TPL strongly supports the intent of this bill and understands that there may be appropriate special funds that could be tapped to assist the purchase, however, we have deep reservations about using funds such as the Legacy Lands Fund. TPL was actively involved in the passage of the Legacy Lands Act, which sets aside a small percentage of the conveyance tax for conservation acquisition projects (currently, roughly \$4.7 million per year). Grant applications are competitively reviewed by the Legacy Lands Commission, which consists of experts in agriculture, land conservation, Hawaiian culture, biology, and other disciplines.

These representatives also are geographically dispersed among all four counties. In the past two years, the number of worthy projects has far exceeded the available funds, and every project funded has leveraged matching federal, county or private funds, making the dollars in the fund go farther. These projects involve willing landowners/sellers, engaged communities calling for the acquisition of these lands, plans to manage the land, and substantial matching funding, and range across all the islands. Circumventing the process laid out by the legislature would place other worthy projects (and community goals and dreams) at risk and render the Legacy Lands Commission useless.

TPL supports SB 2423 S.D. 2, H.D. 1 with the comments/concerns, and is ready to assist the State and other conservation partners in collaborative efforts to acquire the lands surrounding the Turtle Bay Resort.

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.


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Testimony in Support of SB 2423 SD2 HD1

On behalf of the Ko'olauloa-North Shore Alliance, I submit these comments in **support of SB 2423 SD2 HD1**.

The Ko'olauloa-North Shore Alliance is a network of 26 organizations who support the initiative to preserve the undeveloped lands mauka and makai of the Turtle Bay Resort. We applaud the Legislature for understanding the importance of moving this bill forward to provide options in this complicated, but attainable effort.

If the State fails to act now that the property is being foreclosed, it might be possible for another developer to come along and build 3500 more resort units 22 years from now, still based on the 1986 approval. The community does not want massive resort expansion and urbanization of the North Shore.

Two-lane Kamehameha Highway cannot support the current volume of traffic, let alone thousands of new cars the expanded resort would generate. Failing to act now may obligate the State to invest billions of dollars later for a new highway to an area that will no longer be rural.

Looking back years from now, people will realize that preserving these lands at Kawela Bay, Kuilima and Kahuku Point was a bargain. Please pass SB 2423 SD2 HD1.

Respectfully,



Gil Riviere
Chair, Koolauloa-North Shore Alliance

The Ko'olauloa – North Shore Alliance

A Vision for Turtle Bay: Forever Country

For the benefit of present and future generations throughout Hawai'i and the world, a diverse and committed group of individuals, associations, businesses, and leaders have joined together to strongly support the permanent protection of the undeveloped lands mauka and makai of the Turtle Bay Resort in the moku of Ko'olauloa on the North Shore of O'ahu.

We welcome your support for keeping Kawela Bay, Turtle Bay, and Kahuku Point "Forever Country." With aloha, we support:

- A non-partisan initiative to preserve the rural character of Ko'olauloa and the North Shore by acquiring the Turtle Bay Resort through creative partnerships that will protect in perpetuity the undeveloped areas and coastline.
- Enhancing the existing hotel, golf courses, and related businesses at Turtle Bay and protecting quality jobs for local employees and residents.
- No further resort development on the site in recognition of its cultural and historic importance, environmental sensitivity, and the "carrying capacity" of the infrastructure in the area such as the already heavily used Kamehameha Highway.
- Transforming the North Shore-Ko'olauloa economy to one more reliant on the intellectual capacity of our people and upon sustainable use of the 'āina.
- Preserving this unique part of "country" for the perpetual enjoyment of Hawai'i residents and visitors.

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Kuilima Estates West

Hawai'i House Committee On Finance March 27, 2008
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Hearing Mar. 28, 2008
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S2423 SD2 HD1 Turtle Bay Conservation Acquisition

Attn: Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair
Rep. Marilyn B. Lee, Vice Chair

Subject: Testimony in Support of SB2423 SD2 HD1
Aloha Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and Members:

I am writing in support of SB2423 SD2 HD1. Passage of this bill by Finance, following timely approval by TAC and WLH, would represent a significant contribution by your Committee and the House to the bold leadership already shown by the Senate and the Governor in supporting the nonpartisan community initiative to protect the lands around Turtle Bay.

I am a resident of Kuilima Estates West (KEW) and reside on the resort. In addition, I serve as President of the KEW Association of Apartment Owners Board of Directors and represent the 200-tax paying, voters of our community. Moreover, I am also a member of the Governor's Turtle Bay Advisory Working Group, and as such, have been charged with representing the 168 families of Kuilima Estates East on that working group.

Kuilima Estates West (KEW) was constructed by INSCOM Development Company, a joint venture between Del Webb Corp., PIC Realty Corp. and The Prudential Insurance Company of America, in 1972 on 17.5 acres of land (Lot 469 on the then Kuilima Resort). The leasehold condominium complex was a portion of lands transferred from the Estate of James Campbell described in Transfer Certificate Title No, 323,596 issued to the Kuilima Resort Company (KRC), a Hawaii general partnership. Reportedly, the hotel and condominium resort complex was built believing that the Hawaii State Government was going to embrace gambling at the North Shore Resort. That did not happen. Therefore, in 1974 after failing to successfully sell the condominium apartments as timeshares, KRC elected to sell the condos and lease the land to the individual apartment owners by contract based on their common interest. That seventy-year lease expires in 2044.

As you are probably aware, the ownership of the Kuilima (Turtle Bay) Resort property and hotel has changed hands several times since the 1970's. Currently, Oaktree Capital Management, LLC (Oaktree) is the owner. They acquired the Turtle Bay Resort (TBR) with all its 880 acres, including our land, in 1998. Legally it appeared to be a rather complicated and contested transaction with Oaktree emerging as the owner. The Japanese company of Asahi Jyuken sold their 99% General Partnership interest in TBR for a reported \$50 million. Of significance is the fact that throughout all the dealings we were not offered the right of first refusal as stipulated in the Revised Hawaii Statutes that apply to leasehold condominiums.

In 2003, we (Kuilima Estates West and our neighbor community, Kuilima Estates East) jointly initiated negotiations with Oaktree's top management to purchase the fee interest in our land. After tentatively agreeing to terms, the Oaktree negotiator backed away from the negotiation. As of this date we remain in limbo without a formal agreement. Of course matters are further complicated by the fact that the resort is facing a foreclosure action by Credit Suisse Bank. We believe The Governor's proposal to acquire the resort and sell off portions of the property to pay down debt to be a win-win situation for all concerned and would help us out of our dilemma by facilitating our ability to buy our fee interests in the land we currently pay taxes on.

We believe that in addition to selling off portions of the property to pay down the debt, that exchanging other state lands, creatively using tax credits spread out over time, a tax check-off on our income tax returns, private grants, allocating Legacy Land Funds, federal conservation dollars, and a worldwide Internet fundraising campaign to "Save Hawai'i's North Shore" are all very viable options to the state's acquisition of the resort. Moreover, we do not view the Governor's proposal as something that will be impossible to achieve. We collectively agree that it is the right thing to do, and our community is working together with other North Shore Community members to make her proposal happen.

All here agree that this is a once-in-a-generation chance to preserve both a lifestyle for thousands of residents, and a part of Hawai'i that millions the world over have come to love and identify as the real Hawai'i. The purchase of this important property will create an opportunity for the community, as a whole, to shape a vision for this part of the North Shore.

It is our community's view that the collective wisdom, effort, and creative financial contributions of many public and private partners, including the Legislature, can help accomplish our desired goal. Precious state funds that are highly leveraged--creates a sound approach to permanent land conservation in Hawai'i.

This new partnership approach is a powerful ally for the Legislature and communities statewide. Supporting this "creative land conservation" approach to the Turtle Bay opportunity – now, while the property is in foreclosure – will be a permanent win-win for Hawai'i residents and visitors alike that can be replicated for other special lands under development pressure.

With the amendments already made, SB2423 SD2 HD1 now gives the Governor a full range of supplemental tools important to conducting serious and timely negotiations with the owner and creditors of the property. However, due to the sensitive nature of the State-led negotiations, still in an early stage, the amount of funding for this bill

should continue to be blank until conference, when the conferees can obtain the best indication from the Governor and the legislative members of the Advisory Working Group as to the appropriate approach and amount.

We here at Kuilima West are pleased that the House can be part of this important effort to keep the country "country forever."

Mahalo & Ke Akua Pu,
(Signed Mar 27, 2008)
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Testimony (written only) to
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SB 2423 SD2, HD1 - Regarding Land Acquisition (Kuilima/Turtle Bay)
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March 26th 2008

Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair and
Rep. Marilyn B. Lee, Vice Chair,

I would like to express my gratitude towards the House for its support of the bill SB 2423 SD2. I strongly support the bill because it is important to maintain the rural character of the North Shore; and in this way, the public interest is supported statewide in preserving open space and rural communities. As a resident of Haleiwa, I am concerned with the proposed developments by outside investors and I believe that the purchase of undeveloped Turtle Bay Parcels by the State is a good idea to preserve a healthy north shore/island community for residents and visitors alike. Besides, the existing infrastructure does not allow expansions considering that the Kamehameha Highway is already used beyond its capacity.

Mahalo and with warm regards,
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S2423 SD2 HD1 Turtle Bay Conservation Acquisition

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I write in **SUPPORT of SB2423 SD2 HD1**. Passage of this bill by Finance, following timely approval by TAC and WLH, would represent a significant contribution by your Committee and the House to the bold leadership already shown by the Senate and the Governor in supporting the non-partisan community initiative to protect the lands around Turtle Bay.

I am a resident of Pūpūkea and the Director of the Environmental Law Program at the William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai`i at Mānoa. I am also a member of the Governor's Turtle Bay Advisory Working Group. I am a founding Board member of the North Shore Community Land Trust, which catalyzed the public-private partnerships that recently protected the 1,100-acre Pūpūkea-Paumalū property. And, I served as a co-coordinator of the Save Waimea Valley Coalition, supporting the public acquisition of Waimea Valley.

The Waimea and Pūpūkea-Paumalū “deals” were not easy, but became a reality because of the collective wisdom, effort, and creative financial contributions of many public and private partners, including the Legislature. Precious state funds were highly leveraged – creating a new approach to permanent land conservation in Hawai`i. This new partnership approach is a powerful new ally for the Legislature and communities statewide. Supporting this “creative land conservation” approach to the Turtle Bay opportunity – **now**, while the property is in foreclosure – will be a permanent win-win for Hawai`i residents and visitors alike that can be replicated for other special lands under development pressure.

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Thank you.

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MESSAGE:

Attached please find the testimony of Nicola J. Jones, CEO of Kuilima Resort Company, for the March 28, 2008 hearing of Agenda #3 on the above-referenced bill. Ms. Jones is submitting written testimony only and will not be testifying in person. Please provide 2 copies of her testimony to the Committee on Finance.

KUILIMA RESORT COMPANY

To: Committee on Finance
Chair: Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro
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From: Nicola J. Jones
Chief Executive Officer
Kuilima Resort Company

Date: March 26, 2008

Re: March 28, 2008 Hearing on SB 2423, SD2, HD1, Relating to Land Acquisition

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1. Kuilima cannot support any proposed legislation which suggests that the State of Hawaii acquire the Turtle Bay Resort by exercising the power of eminent domain, as such action would clearly interfere with Kuilima's vested legal rights.
2. As part of any meaningful discussion concerning the possible sale of the Resort, there are a number of significant obligations and interests which we must bear in mind, including:
 - a. The obligations that Kuilima has to its first tier and second tier lenders (currently in excess of \$400 million with significant interest accruing each month). There has been testimony focusing on the first tier only. Neither we nor a purchaser can ignore the second tier debt.
 - b. The interests of over 700 employees at the Resort, the vast majority of whom reside in the North Shore from Hauula to Waiialua; and
 - c. The significant commitments to the community under the Resort's Unilateral Agreement and Declaration for Conditional Zoning. These commitments were carefully considered by the Honolulu City Council to directly address many of the same issues that people raise today: developing affordable housing, improving public beach access and facilities, creating new employment opportunities, developing significant public parks with free parking, and the like.

3. The Governor and many others who have testified in support of this measure recognize the importance of maintaining the current Resort operations for employment, recreation opportunities and the economic benefit to the region of the visitor draw. A very important issue to bear in mind is the cost, over and above the operating income, of keeping the Resort going, including the cost of necessary capital improvements and debt service.

4. While discussions concerning the State's acquisition of the Resort continue, in light of the above considerations, it is imperative that Kuilima be treated fairly and allowed to continue to process permits and governmental approvals, and to take any other steps that are necessary to preserve its entitlements and fulfill its obligations to its Lenders.

KUILIMA RESORT COMPANY

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 - c. The significant commitments to the community under the Resort's Unilateral Agreement and Declaration for Conditional Zoning. These commitments were carefully considered by the Honolulu City Council to directly address many of the same issues that people raise today: developing affordable housing, improving public beach access and facilities, creating new employment opportunities, developing significant public parks with free parking, and the like.

3. The Governor and many others who have testified in support of this measure recognize the importance of maintaining the current Resort operations for employment, recreation opportunities and the economic benefit to the region of the visitor draw. A very important issue to bear in mind is the cost, over and above the operating income, of keeping the Resort going, including the cost of necessary capital improvements and debt service.
4. While discussions concerning the State's acquisition of the Resort continue, in light of the above considerations, it is imperative that Kulima be treated fairly and allowed to continue to process permits and governmental approvals, and to take any other steps that are necessary to preserve its entitlements and fulfill its obligations to its Lenders.

FINTestimony

From: kc connors [kcstuff@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2008 2:31 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: In Support of SB 2423 SD2 HD1

In Support of SB 2423 SD2 HD1

Dear Distinguished Members of the House Finance Committee,

Thank you for supporting **SB 2423 SD 2, Relating to Land Acquisition (Kuilima / Turtle Bay)**. Saving Turtle Bay it is vital for preserving our Tourist Industry, our Film Industry, Pro-Golf Industry and current Jobs & Communities in Ko'olau Loa. In short, Saving Turtle Bay is imperative for the future of Hawaii.

As an Economic Development Expert and a resident of Ko'olau Loa, I have examined this Bill, and agree that the State can facilitate this deal and recoup most, if not all of its costs by selling the current hotel, golf courses, condos and villas, in addition to receiving Federal and Private money.

I would like to strongly add my support for the Ko'olau Loa-North Shore Alliance Vision Statement. Acquiring and/or having Turtle Bay donated as swiftly as possible to the State will benefit the :

SAVING TURTLE BAY VITAL FOR OUR TOURIST INDUSTRY***OAHU ALREADY CALLED "OVERCROWDED" BY TOP TRAVEL EXPERTS!**

Leading Travel Authorities such as National Geographic's Travelers Magazine has already called Oahu "in serious trouble" as a vacation destination", and travel expert, Arthur Frommers, etc have called Oahu "overcrowded." This overcrowding is damaging Oahu's and all of Hawaii's reputation as a World Class Tourist Destination.

***TOURIST DON'T COME TO SIT IN TRAFFIC !**

Oaktree Capital's current Mega-Development plans at Turtle Bay would have tremendous repercussions for the beautiful country environment on the entire Windward side of Oahu. As you know, the narrow, spectacularly beautiful Kamehameha Highway is the only road that runs up entire Windward side

to the North Shore.

Already Kam Hwy is often clogged with traffic, especially on weekends, rush hour and good surfing days. Additional traffic from the development of Turtle Bay would cause complete traffic gridlock up and down the entire coast. A single accident completely paralyzes the entire region for hours.

***NEW COMPETITION TO HAWAII TOURISM GROWING RAPIDLY**

New beautiful scenic beach resorts are being developed in Asia, Central America and Mexico rapidly. They are much less expensive than Hawaii. The new resorts are often in the same time zone as our Visitors are from. Many of these new resorts have a shorter travel time and lower airline cost. Hawaii can not afford to rest on its laurels.

***CURRENT JOBS IN THE TOURIST INDUSTRY NEED TO BE PRESERVED**

If the Turtle Bay expansion does go through, I fear that inevitably Kamehameha Hwy would have to be widened and the beautiful Kooloa mountains would then have to be dynamited at many points. In addition, because the EIS is 22 yrs old, many of us local residents are very concerned that we would be saddled with the absolutely enormous cost of widening the road, upgrading the infrastructure, moving homes and destroying our beloved little towns

PRESERVE CURRENT JOBS in PRO-GOLF & GOLF-TRAVEL INDUSTRIES:

Scenic Turtle Bay and Kawela bays are vitally important for Hawaii Pro-Golf in Hawaii is also already in jeopardy. The PGA and Golfers come to Hawaii for our beautiful scenic vistas, not to be surrounded by mobs of tourists. Saving Turtle Bay is not just a "nice thing" for local people, it is crucial for keeping Hawaii as a World Class Tourist & Golf destination

PRESERVE CURRENT JOBS in Our FILM INDUSTRIES:

Our Film & TV Industry uses the spectacular nature on the North Shore as a backdrop, would be severely damaged. Many TV and Movies are filmed at Turtle Bay, using the pristine beaches as their setting. If these beaches were developed, the Film Industry would move to Thailand, and Hawaii would lose those high-quality, interesting films jobs.

The Traffic jams caused by the development of Turtle Bay would clog Kam Hwy up-and-down Windward, and damage many key Film locations, such as Kualoa Ranch and China Mans' Hat. Saving Turtle Bay is a must for preserving Hawaii's Film Industry.

These interesting, high-quality Film jobs are the kinds of 21st Century jobs are youth want.

PRESERVES AFFORBALE HOUSING in KO'OLAU LOA:

The luxury units being proposed for development at Turtle Bay would be way too expensive for most local people and would accelerate the high cost of housing. Local families who have lived in Ko'olau Loa for generations would be displaced. In addition, Water recourses, Watershed capacity and other infrastructure would be severally affected.

PROTECTING HAWAII's ENDANGERED SPEICIES:

The pristine beach at Turtle Bay is a Birthing-Area for our Endangered Monk Seals. Hawaii has more Endangered Species per square mile than any other place in the world. The Hawaiian Monk Seal is one of the world's most endangered species. There are an estimated 1200 Hawaiian Monk Seals, but their numbers are declining.

Our Monk Seal "N7" gave birth and nursed her pup in safety for 54 days at Turtle Bay. If the unique protected shallow inlet at Turtle Bay were overrun with thousands of tourists, our monk seals would have to choose another spot along Oahu's well-developed shore, and nurse their pups further out in a less protected, more dangerous area.

Endangered Hawaiian Green Sea Turtles are also frequently spotted at the bays. There has also been some speculation that there are Endangered Sea Turtle nests at Turtle Bay. Sea Turtles' nests in the sandy areas are very fragile. If there were thousand of tourists tromping on the beaches, the nests would not survive.

PRESERVE the NATURAL BEAUTY OF HAWAII for FUTURE GENERATIONS:

The beauty of Ko'olau Loa and the North Shore, our beaches and wildlife should be preserved for both local people and visitors to come and enjoy for generations.

Thank you for moving this bill quickly forward so that Turtle Bay will be acquired, and the Best of Hawaii will be preserved for our children and grandchildren.

'GOD IS WITH YOU WHEREVER YOU GO.'

Joshua 1:9 (esp at Turtle & Kawela Bays:-)

In His Spirit,

KC Connors

Ka'a'awa, HI

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FINTestimony

From: Kent Fonoimoana [kent@trisland.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2008 6:48 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: Testimony on SB 2423 SD2 HD1

Testimony submittal of Kent Fonoimoana
North Shore Resident

Testimony submitted in support of Senate bill below.
Testim,ony submitted to:

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair

Rep. Marilyn B. Lee, Vice Chair

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Aloha Chairman Oshiro and Committee members,

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1 as I believe it is a prudent measure needed to protect what makes Hawaii Hawaii.

Kent Fonoimoana
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Laie, Hawaii 96762

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March 27, 2008

To: House Committee on Finance
Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro Chair
Rep. Marilyn B. Lee Vice Chair
& Honorable Committee Members
Fax# 586-6001

From: Save Our Surf, speaking on behalf of 300,000 surfers in Hawaii, and thousands more that visit Oahu and the North shore. We humbly request your **Support of SB2423 SD2 HD1.**

Your support of this bill will allow the Government to move forward in working out the details that could be favorable to all concerned.

The Turtle Bay coastline from Kawela Bay to Kahuku Point offers the potential for public beach recreational facilities, surfing and fishing that should not be encumbered by more hotel development.

Testimony from: George Downing Fax# 732-4563
March 27, 2008 2:52 p.m.

FINTestimony

From: Windward Ahupua`a Alliance [info@waa-hawaii.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2008 10:30 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB 2423 SD2 HD1 - RELATING TO LAND ACQUISITION - Friday, March 28 - Agenda #3

SUBMITTED BY:***Windward Ahupua`a Alliance***

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SB 2423 SD2 HD1 - RELATING TO LAND ACQUISITION
STRONGLY SUPPORT

TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

Aloha, My name is Shannon Wood, submitting testimony on behalf of the *Windward Ahupua`a Alliance*, a **501c3** Hawai`i non-profit corporation, which was established in July, 2002, to create the **Ko`olau Greenbelt & Heritage Trails System** in order to restore, protect & provide public access to the *mauka* lands on the Windward side of O`ahu along the base of *Na Ko`olau* up to **Kawela Bay** encompassing the two *moku* of *Ko`olau Loa* and *Ko`olaupoko*. as well as to support locally-owned sustainable economic activities in the more developed areas.

SB2423 SD2 HD1 dovetails beautifully both with *WAA*'s expanded mission - see below - as well as its original vision to preserve, protect, and expand public access from the mountains to the outer reefs..

WAA suggests that the dollar amount to be inserted in **SB 2423 SD2 HD1** should be put into the **Office of Planning's** budget since they are the logical government agency to oversee planning. As to what that figure should be, I suggest \$75,000 which could be augmented with other funding sources if needed.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on behalf of **SB 2423 SD2 HD1**.

*The **Windward Ahupua`a Alliance** works to educate & inform residents, visitors, businesses, policymakers, and the media about using Smart Growth planning principles which promote sustainability. These include: Designing long-term waste management systems; improving illegal dumping/derelect vehicle legislation & enforcement; developing & implementing comprehensive curbside recycling programs; providing research & support on public access issues; establishing both state & county-level "legacy lands" funds to support affordable workforce housing initiatives and critical land purchases to protect against inappropriate development; creating alternative energy systems to reduce Hawai`i's dependency on fossil fuels & to mitigate the impacts of global warming; and, setting long-term watershed protection policies based upon ahupua`a concepts & principles.*

FINTestimony

From: Noyita Saravia [noyitas@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2008 2:52 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: Support of SB 2423 SD2 HD1

I am not able to come in person tomorrow, March 28 at 4:30p.m. in room 308 with the House Committee on Finance.

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1. It opens options to keep the North Shore country and keep the tourists coming from all over the world instead of going to other less crowded destinations. I live in Kahuku and chose it because it is country and hope it stays that way. I worry about too much traffic, water, infrastructure if there is huge development here. I hope we can keep some of the shore line natural. Endangered turtles and monk seals haul out on these beaches and the monk seals give birth and nurse their young here.

Thank you for your consideration. Aloha, Noyita

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FINTestimony

From: Elizabeth Dunne [elizabethdunne@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2008 6:14 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: Strong support for SB2423 SD2 HD1

House Committee on Finance
Hearing on SB2423 SD2 HD1
March 28, 2008, 4:30 p.m., Conference Room 308

Chair Marcus R. Oshiro, Vice Chair Marilyn B. Lee, and Members of the Committee:

I strongly support SB2423 SD2 HD1. Please pass this bill.

Mahalo.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Dunne
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815
elizabethdunne@hotmail.com

FINTestimony

From: georgie@gliderridehawaii.com
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2008 12:48 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

Aloha,

I support the Turtle Bay Resort Acquisition Bill, SB 2423.

Mahalo,

Georgina Pulman-Olzaski
PO Box 333
Haleiwa, HI 96712

FINTestimony

From: Joshua Echemendia [joshuaechemendia@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2008 12:24 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my strong support for the Turtle Bay Acquisition Bill, SB 2423. Please pass this bill.

Sincerely,

Joshua Echemendia
P.O. Box 455
Haleiwa, HI 96712

FINTestimony

From: Ryan Smith [nayrsmith@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 10:29 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

FINTestimony

From: Milica Barjaktarovic [milica_b@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 10:58 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB 2423 SD2 HD1 final hearing on 3/28/07

The Turtle Bay Resort Acquisition
>Bill, SB 2423, is scheduled for its final public hearing in the Finance
>Committee this Friday, 3/28/07, 4:30 p.m.

We want to reassure our government officials that preserving the North Shore is very clearly in the public interest.

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1.

North Shore resident.

Dr. Milica Barjaktarovic
68-101 Waialua Beach rd
Waialua HI 96791

Please include the
>measure
>number, date of hearing, and agenda no. in the subject line

I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT AGENDA NO IS.... Sorry.

FINTestimony

From: Kim Johnson [kim@kokuahawaiifoundation.org]

Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 11:56 PM

To: FINTestimony

Subject: Testimony in support of SB2423 SD2 HD1- Finance Committee hearing, Friday, 3/28/07, 4:30 p.m.

To: Finance Committee

Dear Representatives,

I am sending this letter in support of Senate Bill 2423 regarding the land acquisition of Kuilima / Turtle Bay on the North Shore of Oahu.

Thank you for supporting the residents of Hawai'i in our hopes to utilize the land in a way that will benefit everyone. The existing hotel provides important jobs for the community but further development would strain the infrastructure of this rural area.

Residents and visitors from all over the world come to the northern point of O'ahu to enjoy the natural beauty of the mountains and the ocean. We now have a once in a lifetime opportunity to protect this inspirational area for future generations.

I encourage you to support this bill.

Aloha,
Kim Johnson

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FINTestimony

From: Art Mori [amori@netserver05.chaminade.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 10:25 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: testimony in favor of SB 2423 SD2 HD1

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Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair
Rep. Marilyn B. Lee, Vice Chair

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I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1. PLEASE KEEP SOME COUNTRY COUNTRY!

Mahalo,

Art Mori
571 Hao St
Honolulu, HI 96821
373-4386

FINTestimony

From: Daniel Skaf [skafdaniel@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2008 7:16 AM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: B 2423 SD2 HD1, 3/28/07, 4:30 p.m.

To Whom It May Concern:

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

This is my written testimony only.

Daniel Skaf
Professor at BYU Hawaii and Chaminade University
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(808) 232-9772

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FINTestimony

From: Raymond Beatty [sailing@hawaii.rr.com]
sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 7:11 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB2423

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1
Ray Beatty
59740 Alapio Rd. Haleiwa, 96712

FINTestimony

From: chip hartman [seachip@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 5:17 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: Turtle Bay Resort Aquisition Bill SB 2423

Aloha Rep. Oshiro, Chair and Committee Members,

I support 'SB 2423 SD2 HD1' and encourage you to do the same on March 28, 2008.

Mahalo,
Chip Hartman
59-208 B Kamehameha Hwy.
Sunset Beach

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FINTestimony

From: Ginger Vogler [ventia8@lava.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 6:03 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB2423 SD2 HD1, 3/28/08, 4:30 pm

IN SUPPORT OF SB2423 SD2 HD1

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I fully support SB2423 SD2 HD1

Thank you,
Ginger Vogler
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Haleiwa, HI 96712

FINTestimony

From: b archer [haleiwa_archer@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 3:51 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB 2423 SD2 HD1

I support SB 2423 SD2 HDA I live in Pupukea and wish to see the Country stay Country.

Thank you

Bonnie and Bill Archer

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From: val loh [vallohfoto@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 4:30 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: TESTIMONY IN SUPPPORT OF SB2423 SD2 HD1 - Friday, March 28, 2008, 4:30 P.M.

To: HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair
Rep. Marilyn B. Lee, Vice Chair

Please support SB 2423 SD2 HD1.

Thanks very much,
~ Val Loh
Honolulu, HI 96816

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FINTestimony

From: claree doty [clareedoty@sbcglobal.net]

Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 4:14 PM

To: FINTestimony

We support "SB2423SD2HD1" on 3-28-08. Claree and Howard Doty clareedoty@sbcglobal.net

3/26/2008

FINTestimony

From: Mary Beth [mbqh@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 3:32 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB 2423 SD2 HD1

My daughter is a North Shore resident. I am a frequent visitor.
We both **STRONGLY** support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

Thank you,
Mary Beth Hueter & Elizabeth Hueter

FINTestimony

From: Jon Kutsmeda [nswayv@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 4:15 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: "I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1"

"I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1"

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FINTestimony

From: Timothy Vandever [tvandever76@hotmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 4:51 PM

To: FINTestimony

Subject: TESTIMONY IN SUPPPORT OF SB2423 SD2 HD1 (Finance - Friday 3/28 @4:30)

I support SB2423 SD2 HD1, (Turtle Bay Resort Acquisition Bill) that is set for hearing before the Committee on Finance Friday, March 28th at 4:30 pm. I am a resident of the North Shore and employee of Turtle Bay Resort and feel that the Governor's proposal is one that can bring long term economic viability to the current hotel while preserving the lands around it for generations to come. The North Shore is special to residents and visitors alike because it *is* COUNTRY, and anything we can do to preserve and maintain it will benefit Hawaii in the future. It is important that the Governor have every option available in negotiating a solution to the current situation at Turtle Bay. Please vote to pass this vital piece of legislation the is very clearly in the public interest. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Tim Vandever

59-080 Kam Hwy. Unit #B

Haleiwa, HI 96712

388-0660

(submitting written testimony only)

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FINTestimony

From: Julie Noble [createharmonia@yahoo.com]
sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 4:31 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: 3/28/08 Hearing on SB2423 SD2 HD1

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1. Can one measure change the future for generations to come? You'd better believe it can! All the people of the world benefit when you vote yes to protecting the countryside around Turtle Bay. Think of your legacy; think of your children.

Aloha,

Julie Noble
613 Fletcher Street
Austin, Texas 78704

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FINTestimony

From: patti johnson [johnsonj007@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 4:39 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB2423 SD2 HD1 4:30pm Friday, March 28, 2008 Conference Room 308

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1.

Thank you,
Patti Johnson
59-347 Ke Nui Rd.
Haleiwa, Hi. 96712

FINTestimony

From: Everett Magnuson [emagnuson@earthlink.net]
ent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 11:12 AM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB 2423 SD2 HD1

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

Everett Magnuson
57-086 Eleku Kuilima Place, #109
Kahulu, HI 96731

FINTestimony

From: Lia Colabello [lcolabello@surfrider.org]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 11:40 AM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB 2423 SD2 HD1 - March 28 - RM 308

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1.

FINTestimony

From: Todd Sells [tdsells@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 11:42 AM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1.
Thank you,
Todd D. Sells
north shore resident

FINTestimony

From: Kevin Kelly [kevink@hawaii.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 12:01 PM

To: FINTestimony

Subject: Testimony in Support of SB2423 , March 28, 2008, 4:30p, rm. 308

Dear Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and members of the Finance Committee,

I am submitting this testimony in strong support of SB2423. I believe that the decision to purchase the Turtle Bay property will be looked back upon as one of the greatest achievements of state government with respect to protecting the quality of life for residents of Oahu. Thank you for your leadership and vision in supporting this effort.

Aloha,
Kevin Kelly
Kahuku

FINTestimony

From: DDRUZ@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 1:05 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB 2423 SD2 HD1, Friday Mar 28, 2008

I SUPPORT SB 2423 SD2 HD1

Dave Druz
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PO Box 876
Haleiwa, HI 96712

FINTestimony

From: sara ackerman [stellabuttercup@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 12:50 PM

To: FINTestimony

Subject: I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1

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con amor, Sara

FINTestimony

From: Joy Silver [joyofpilates@mac.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 1:53 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB 2423 SD2 HD1 Friday March 28 4:30 pm

Dear Finance Committee,
I am writing in support of SB 2423 SD2 HD1.

Mahalo,
Joy Silver
Haleiwa, HI

FINTestimony

From: steven@stevensquire.com
ent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 2:01 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: SB 2423 SD2 HD1 - March 28, 2008

I support SB 2423 SD2 HD1.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer my support,
Steven Squire

FINTestimony

From: Sandra Cashman [cashmans001@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 2:21 PM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: Re: Turtle Bay Purchase, SB 2423 SD2 HD1, March 28, 2008

I support SB 2432 Sd2 HD1.

Sandra Cashman
59-575 Akanoho Place
Haleiwa, HI 96712