

LATE TESTIMONY

To: Representative Faye P. Hanohano, Chair
Representative Henry J.C. Aquino, Vice Chair
Members of the Committee on Public Safety

Date: Wednesday, March 17, 2010

From: Jim Kane
Resident of Nanakuli

Hearing: 9 a.m., Thursday, March 18, 2010

Subject: HCR223-Strongly support

Aloha kakou,

Thank you for this opportunity to testify regarding HCR223, which will request the Legislative Reference Bureau to do a study to see if Lualualei Naval Road could be a possible evacuation route when there is an emergency on the Leeward Coast.

The opening of Lualualei Naval Road in case of a disaster would benefit the Waianae Coast because there is only one way in and one way out. Having only one access in and out of the coast is a hazard to many of the people who live in our district. If the state is not going to build an alternate route out of the Waianae coast they can at least give us a way out by using Kolekole pass. Although Kolekole pass may not be suitable for many cars to be used, at least there is an alternate route for the people in our district.

If there is a natural disaster and the people of the Waianae Coast are in danger, the State of Hawaii will be accountable because they knew that there would only be one way in and one way out. If that road does close and we have no access out, then what do we do as citizens? Are you going to fly us all out with Helicopters?

Thank You,

Jim Kane

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To: Representative Faye Hanohano, Committee Chair House Committee on Public Safety, Representative Henry Aquino, Committee Chair House Committee on Legislative Management

From: Lautoa F. Atisanoe, Jr.

Date: Thursday, March 17, 2010

Re: SUPPORT for HCR223

Chair Hanohano, Vice Chair Aquino and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in **strong support** of HCR223, requesting that the Legislative Reference Bureau conduct a study on the feasibility of using facilities at the United States Naval Reservation at Lualualei for emergency shelter purposes.

Looking into and considering Lualualei as a possible emergency shelter is worthwhile. In the event of a natural disaster, evacuating tens of thousands of people from the Leeward Coast will be impossible. Additionally, potential road closures will cause further complications, which will ultimately leave people helpless. With only one roadway out of the West Coast, the need for effective planning cannot be stressed enough. Planning for a disaster needs to take place now, rather than simply waiting around until disaster hits. HCR292 will assist in getting the Waianae Coast more prepared for these unexpected events.

For these reasons, I strongly urge you to vote in support.
Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,
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