SB2742

Amends section 206E-191, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to permit the Hawaii Community Development Authority's Kalaeloa Community Development District ex-officio members to designate a representative with voting powers in the event they are unable to attend an authority meeting.

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The Honorable Donavan M. Dela Cruz, Chair and Members of the Committee on Water, Land & Housing State Senate State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Committee Members:

Subject: Senate Bill No. 2742

Relating to the Hawaii Community Development Authority

The Department of Planning and Permitting **supports** Senate Bill No. 2742, which allows the ex-officio members of the Hawaii Community Development Authority, Kalaeloa Community Development District, to designate a voting representative if they are unable to attend an Authority meeting.

As one of the ex-officio Authority members, there have been occasions when I could not attend meetings. It would have been worthwhile to the Authority and the public to have the benefit of the perspectives of the City and County of Honolulu at these meetings.

May we take this opportunity to ask for further amendments; namely, that the applicable County Planning Director sit as part of the Authority, under Section 206E-3(b) on all matters related to the applicable county. There have been many occasions when the Authority's Kakaako agenda items would have benefited from City input, particularly with respect to infrastructure issues. This will also be important as both the City and State focus attention on Transit-Oriented Development.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Very truly yours,

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