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The Honorable Ryan I. Yamane, Chair
And Members of the House Committee on
Transportation

Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 309
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

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Re: House Bill 751, RELATING TO SADDLE ROAD

Aloha, Chair Yamane and Committee Members:

Thank you for this opportunity to express our strong support for House Bill 751, which would rename the Saddle Road. This bill would designate Route 200, which crosses the Island of Hawai'i between the summits of Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa, as the "Daniel K. Inouye Legacy Highway."

We believe this is an appropriate tribute to United States Senator Daniel K. Inouye, who spent his life bringing people together to work for the good of all of Hawai'i. The reconstruction of this highway helps to bind our island community more tightly together and unify us into a single 'ohana in a way that would make the senator proud.

The reconstruction of the Saddle Road is only one of the hundreds of projects that were championed by the senator during his many years of public service, but we believe renaming this highway in his honor is a fitting memorial to his vision and his accomplishments.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Aloha,

William P. Kenoi
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