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STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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Testimony of SUZANNE D. CASE Chairperson

Before the House Committee on WATER AND LAND

Friday, March 17, 2017 10:30 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 325

In consideration of
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 117/HOUSE RESOLUTION 71
ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF
HONOLULU TO COLLABORATIVELY WORK WITH COMMUNITY
STAKEHOLDERS TO IDENTIFY AND ESTABLISH OFF-LEASH DOG PARKS ON
THE WINDWARD SIDE OF OAHU

House Concurrent Resolution 117 / House Resolution 71 encourage the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) and the Department of Parks and Recreation of the City and County of Honolulu to work with community stakeholders to identify and establish off-leash dog-parks on the windward side of Oahu. **The Department opposes these measures but appreciates its intent.**

The Department manages 51 state parks encompassing approximately 30,000 acres on the 5 major islands. These parks offer varied outdoor recreation and heritage opportunities. The outdoor recreation program offers a diversity of coastal and wildland recreational experiences, including picnicking, camping, lodging, ocean swimming, snorkeling, surfing, sunbathing, beach play, fishing, sightseeing, hiking, pleasure walking, and backpacking. The heritage program protects, preserves, and interprets excellent examples of Hawaii's natural and cultural heritage.

Given the foregoing, identifying and establishing dog parks is not consistent with the Department's mission, and the Department does not have sufficient knowledge to conduct such activities. The Department recommends that the Hawaiian Humane Society or other such animal welfare organization serve as a more appropriate entity for this resolution. If an appropriate site is identified on state land, a request for a disposition to a qualified entity may be brought before the Board of Land and Natural Resources for consideration.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these measures.

SUZANNE D. CASE CHAIRPERSON BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES MMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

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JEFFREY T. PEARSON, P.E. DEPUTY DIRECTOR - WATER

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LAND STATE PARKS

WINDWARD DOG PAR HUI

DATE: March 15, 2017

TO: Rep. Ryan I. Yamane, Chair – Committee of Water and Land

Committee members

FROM: Janine Tully, WDPH President- In Support

SUBJECT: HCR 117 -Establishing an Off-Leash Dog Park in Windward, Oahu

Aloha, and thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on behalf of the Windward Dog Park Hui in support of this measure. My name is Janine Tully and I'm the president of the Windward Dog Park Hui, a 505©(3) non-profit organization committed to opening an off-leash park on the Windward side.

For nearly two decades Windward residents have tried to open a dog park without success. In 2014 a group of volunteers formed the Windward Dog Park Hui as a 505 © (3) nonprofit organization committed to establishing a fenced-in-off leash dog park in Windward, Oahu. During the last three years we have worked diligently to achieve this goal by contacting state and city officials, including the Department of Parks and Recreation and the office of Councilman Ikaika Anderson, collected almost 3,000 signatures in support, and participated in dozens of dog-related events. In 2016 WDPH held a town meeting in Kaneohe that drew close to 90 supporters. Once a parcel is selected, our plan is to enter into a partnership with the city for the building, maintenance and operation of the dog park.

We appreciate the initiative taken by our Windward legislators in introducing HCR 117 and requesting that the state Department of Land and Natural Resources and city Department of Parks and Recreation to work with the community to identify and establish an off-leash dog park on the Windward side for the benefit of the community.

Thank you for your time.



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Date: March 17, 2017

To: Chair Rep. Ryan I. Yamane

Vice Chair Rep. Sam Satoru Kong

and Members of the Committee on Water & Land

Submitted By: Stephanie Kendrick, Public Policy Advocate

Hawaiian Humane Society, 808-356-2217

RE: Testimony in support of HCR117/HR71

Friday, March 17, 2017, 10:30 a.m., Capitol conference room 325

Aloha Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Kong and Committee Members,

The Hawaiian Humane Society supports HCR117/HR71, which encourages the State Department of Land & Natural Resources and the City Department of Parks & Recreation to work with stakeholders to establish off-leash dog parks in Windward Oahu.

The Society advocates for responsible owners to be allowed to have animals in apartments, condominiums, rental units, residential care facilities, and in public places such as all parks and beaches.

Companion animals are an integral part of our lives and our community. About 55 percent of Oahu households reported owning pets in a 2015 survey by Ward Research. Windward Oahu households reported among the highest rates of dog ownership on the island at 47 percent to 56 percent, depending on the neighborhood. Yet of the six off-leash dog parks on Oahu, none are on the Windward side.

Off-leash dog parks are just one element in the essential integration of our pets into our community. The Hawaiian Humane Society believes pets and their owners should be able to share access to beaches, trails, parks, restaurants and housing. But off-leash parks do play a role in the health and happiness of our pets and pet-owners and we support community efforts to increase their number on Oahu.

Please pass this resolution.

Mahalo and let me know if I can be of any assistance.

DATE: March 15, 2017

SUBJECT: HCR 117 - Establishing an Off-Leash Dog Park in Windward Oahu

HEARING: 3/17/2017 10:30 AM

TO: Rep. Ryan I. Yamane, Chair – Committee of Water and Land

Committee members

FROM: Elaine Dobashi, President, Hui 'llio Hawai'i (info@hui-ilio.org)

In Support

Aloha House Committee on Water and Land, Chair Yamane and Committee Members:

My name is Elaine Dobashi and I'm the President of Hui 'llio Hawai'i, a nonprofit group dedicated to promoting public dog parks and to promoting responsible dog ownership. Our organization helped to build the Hawaii Kai Dog Park through a public-private partnership with the City, and supported the park for eight years as adopt-a-park partners.

When Hui 'Ilio Hawai'i was founded in 2004, there also was a Windward dog park group and both of our organizations were working with the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to establish dog parks in our respective communities. Unfortunately, while our Hawaii Kai project eventually moved forward, the Windward group was never able to get DPR's approval for a park site. After several years of thwarted efforts, the group disbanded, but over the years other Windward dog owners have come forward and approached DPR without success.

It has now been over thirteen years and the Windward community has still not given up. A new nonprofit, Windward Dog Park Hui, was started in 2014. These responsible Windward dog owners have worked hard to get thousands of petition signatures and to recruit volunteers in a renewed effort to establish one or more dog parks in the Windward area. They are willing to partner with the City and do whatever it takes, but they still have not been able to get a park site approved.

I ask you to please support this resolution so that the Windward community can finally find a location for an off-leash dog park and move forward in partnership with DPR to open the first Windward Dog Park.

Mahalo, Elaine Dobashi

kong2 - Crystal

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 5:01 PM

To: waltestimony

Cc: cathyg@animalrightshawaii.org

Subject: *Submitted testimony for HCR117 on Mar 17, 2017 10:30AM*

HCR117

Submitted on: 3/14/2017

Testimony for WAL on Mar 17, 2017 10:30AM in Conference Room 325

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cathy Goeggel	Animal Rights Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments:

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March 15, 2017

Windwarddogpark@gmail.com

To: Committee of Water and Land/Committee members

From: Emily Vergara, WDPH/Vice President-In Support

Subject: HCR117 – Establishing an Off-Leash Dog Park on the Windward Side of Oahu

Dear Committee Members:

Thank you for your support in helping to establish a Windward Dog Park. I am Emily Vergara, the vice president of the Windward Dog Park, a non-profit organization established to help us reach our goal in finding a Dog Park.

We have worked diligently for the last three years, in the hopes of finding support from the various City and State officials and are optimistic that we can meet that goal. We look forward to a partnership for the building, maintenance and operation of a dog park.

Thank you for taking the initiative in introducing HCR117 and working in this regard to help us meet our goal. We believe that there need to be more places in Hawaii where well behaved dogs and owners can mingle, play, exercise and enjoy. We are pleased to continue in that regard and are glad to meet and discuss the possibilities.

Thank you for becoming part of the solution.

Emily Vergara

From: jennifer mavilia <jleemavilia@icloud.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 8:17 AM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** HCR 117

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

I AM WRITING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF HCR - 117 TO ESTABLISH AN OFF-LEASH PARK IN THE WINDWARD SIDE. FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES WINDWARD RESIDENTS HAVE TRIED TO OPEN A DOG PARK WITHOUT SUCESS. FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS THE WINDWARD DOG PARK HUI HS BEEN DILIGENTLY WORKING TO OPEN AN OFF-LEASH DOG PARK. WE HAVE CONTACTED STATE AND CITY OFFICIALS AND HAVE COLLECTED THOUSANDS OF PETITIONS IIN SUPPORT.

I HOPE YOU PASS THIS MEASURE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY.

From: Jeri Barnes <jeri@tropicaljs.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 6:56 AM

To: waltestimony

Subject: Support Kaneohe Dog Park

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

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I believe that Kaneohe has many responsible dog owners and that opening a dog park will enable an area conducive to dog play/owner's interaction. This would be a great community service for a wonderful community!

NAME: Jeri Barnes

ADDRESS or PHONE # 234-1741

From: Jordan <jpbarneslive@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 3:36 AM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** HCR 117

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NAME___jordan Barnes ADRESS or PHONE # 808-679-7490

45-002 Holowai Street Kaneohe, HI 96744

From: Chelsea Kemp <chelcbkemp@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 3:40 AM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** HCR 117

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NAME: Chelsea Kemp

ADRESS: 45-002 Holowai Street

Kaneohe, HI 96744 (310) 291-2047

From: wendeeliu@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 11:32 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 Windward Dog Park SUPPORT

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

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NAME: Wendee Liu

ADRESS or PHONE # P.O. Box 205 Kaneohe, HI 96744

From: Laura Myers <lauramyers07@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:41 PM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** HR117

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NAME: Laura Myers

ADRESS or PHONE #47-109 Kopili Place, Kaneohe, HI 96744

Laura Myers

lauramyers07@aol.com

From: Annette Tashiro <actashiro@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:35 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: Dog Park for Windward O`ahu

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

WE ARE WRITING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF HCR - 117 TO ESTABLISH AN OFF-LEASH PARK IN THE WINDWARD SIDE. FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES WINDWARD RESIDENTS HAVE TRIED TO OPEN A DOG PARK WITHOUT SUCESS. FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS THE WINDWARD DOG PARK HUI HS BEEN DILIGENTLY WORKING TO OPEN AN OFF-LEASH DOG PARK. WE HAVE CONTACTED STATE AND CITY OFFICIALS AND HAVE COLLECTED THOUSANDS OF PETITIONS IIN SUPPORT.

I HOPE YOU PASS THIS MEASURE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY.

TASHIRO FAMILY:

GARY T. TASHIRO, 808-384-3256 REGISTERED VOTER

ANNETTE C. TASHIRO, 808-384-8319 REGISTERED VOTER

GEOFFREY M. TASHIRO, 808-389-2064 REGISTERED VOTER

GAVIN A. TASHIRO, 808-384-2859 REGISTERED VOTER

MARU TASHIRO, RESCUED ON 06-01-2014

RESIDING AT:

45-455 NUKOKI PLACE

KANEOHE, HI 96744

From: Marvin Andresen <andresenmarvin@yahoo.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:15 PM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** HCR - 117 Support

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

I AM WRITING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF HCR - 117 TO ESTABLISH AN OFF-LEASH DOG PARK ON THE WINDWARD SIDE.

WINDWARD RESIDENTS HAVE TRIED
DILIGENTLY TO OPEN A DOG PARK FOR A LONG
TIME.

FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS THE WINDWARD DOG PARK HUI HAS BEEN DILIGENTLY WORKING TO OPEN AN OFF-LEASH DOG PARK.
WE HAVE CONTACTED STATE AND CITY OFFICIALS AND HAVE COLLECTED THOUSANDS OF SIGNATURES ON PETITIONS IN SUPPORT.

I SINCERELY HOPE THE LEGISLATURE WILL PASS THIS MEASURE.

Marvin J. Andresen 1222 Aalapapa Dr. Kailua, HI 96734 3203 Marvin Andresen 1222 Aalapapa Dr. Kailua, HI 96734-3203 Land line at house (808) 261-9611

From: Ms. Michael McKenna <msmichael@hawaiiantel.net>

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 8:06 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: Windward dog park please!

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

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I HOPE YOU PASS THIS MEASURE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY.

Ms Michael McKenna 808 252-9471

Sent from my iPhone

From: Carol Weiss-Suyderhoud <carolws@hawaii.rr.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 8:09 PM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** HCR-117

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NAME	Carol Weiss- Suyderhoud	
ADDRESS	or PHONE # 808 395-7187	

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From: BarbaraHIGmail <barbarabspricehi@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 8:16 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 Windward Dog Park SUPPORT

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PLEASE GIVE THIS SOME SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. IT IS HIGH ON YOUR CONSTITUENTS' S CONCERNS.

I HOPE YOU PASS THIS MEASURE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY.

Barbara B. Saunders-Price barbarabspricehi@gmail.com 808-203-0235

From: Robaloha < robaloha12@gmail.com> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2017 8:17 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 Windward Dog park support

HCR 117 Resolution Support

I AM WRITING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF HCR - 117 TO ESTABLISH AN OFF-LEASH PARK IN THE WINDWARD SIDE. FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES WINDWARD RESIDENTS HAVE TRIED TO OPEN A DOG PARK WITHOUT SUCESS. FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS THE WINDWARD DOG PARK HUI HS BEEN DILIGENTLY WORKING TO OPEN AN OFF-LEASH DOG PARK. WE HAVE CONTACTED STATE AND CITY OFFICIALS AND HAVE COLLECTED THOUSANDS OF PETITIONS IIN SUPPORT.

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NAME : Robbie Nicholas ADRESS or PHONE # 150-A Kihapai St. Kailua, HI 96734

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

From: Jennifer Gonzales <jennif431@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 7:49 AM

To: waltestimony Subject: Support

I think this bill should be passed. Why can all the the other cities and allow space for a dog park and Honolulu can not.

Jennifer Gonzales jennif431@aol.com

From: Joann Gundermann <mjgundy808@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 7:30 AM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** HCR117 Resolution

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

Good morning.

I hope you will pass HCR117 Resolution to establish a much-needed off-leash dog park on the windward side. Now my family has to drive all the way to Diamond Head from Kaneohe to let the dogs enjoy freedom. There are so many dogs and so many permanent, local families on the windward side that need a park badly.

Please pass the measure. It's very much overdue.

Sincerely, Rev.Milton and JoAnn Gundermann 46-146 Nahiku St Kaneohe, 247-1402 46 year residents in Kaneohe

From: Karen Kim <kims2@hawaiiantel.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 6:32 AM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** Windward Dog Park

Kaneohe residents who own and love dogs would very much appreciate having a designated area for their dogs to socialize. A small section of a large park, fenced, perhaps? Some folks own their own homes, but many do not and would greatly benefit, instead of walking along heavily trafficked streets.

Sincerely, Karen Kim

Sent from my iPhone

From: Rebecca Elaban <uluhane@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 6:31 AM

To: waltestimony Subject: Dog park

I support un leash dog park 100 percent Sent from my iPhone

From: Howe Maj Howe <justin.howe@bhr.usmc.mil>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 2:17 AM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** HCR-117

Aloha Chairman Ryan I. Yamane and Committee members,

I am in support of HCR -117 for the establishment of an off-leash park on the windward side. Since moving to Hawaii 4 years ago we have struggled to find a place for our two fur babies to play and socialize. Our property, as well as most in Hawaii lack the space needed for our pets to run and play freely. I am fully behind the Winward Dog Park Hui and it mission for the establishment of an off-leach dog park. They have been working persistently and gaining support daily thru their initiatives and social gathering. This measure has my strongest endorsement as this will positively benefit our community.

This cannot be ignored or postponed any longer.

NAME: Justin and Cristina Howe ADRESS or PHONE # 45-081 Lilipuna Road Kaneohe, HI 96744

Respectfully,
Maj Justin "Big Mack" Howe
VMM-262 (REIN) "Flying Tigers"

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 12:03 AM

To: waltestimony
Cc: irrighi@gmail.com

Subject: Submitted testimony for HCR117 on Mar 17, 2017 10:30AM

HCR117

Submitted on: 3/16/2017

Testimony for WAL on Mar 17, 2017 10:30AM in Conference Room 325

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Allan Schildknecht	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I AM WRITING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF HCR - 117 TO ESTABLISH AN OFF-LEASH PARK IN THE WINDWARD SIDE. I was originally involved in trying to obtain a Windward Dog Park since the late 1990's with several areas being offered up to us, only to see those hopes dashed by the C&C of Honolulu. Over these years, our original dog Makamae passed away at the age of 15, waiting for the park. Her replacement Anapau also never was able to see the park become a reality when she died at 11 years of age. Even Goliath our 14 pound rescue who is now almost 11 is also aging and may never have the opportunity to romp in the park. For the sake of Goliath and all of the other Windward Dogs, please pass this Bill.

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From: Kini Graham < grahamk001@hawaii.rr.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:26 AM

To: waltestimony
Subject: HCR 117

Aloha I am in strong favor of HCR 117 for an off leash dog park in Windward Oahu.

Please support this

JENNIFER GUNDERMANN GRAHAM

From: Linda Mensching <LindaM@cbpacific.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:08 AM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HRC 117 Windward dog Park SUPPORT

To whom it may concern:

As a dog owner with no children it is important that I have a place to interact with other like minded Dog owners. I was born and raised on the windward side and have to drive to Hawaii Kai to take her to the park. Please Please let us have a dog park.

Linda Mensching 46-324 Haiku Road 102 Kanneohe Hawaii 96744

808-285-6776



Linda Mensching, Realtor, ABR, CNAS, CRS, SRES RB-18534
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From: Gary at Tropical Js <gary@tropicaljs.com> **Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:18 AM

To: waltestimony Cc: 'Jordan'

Subject: RE: HCR 117 Resolution Support

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

I AM WRITING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF HCR - 117 TO ESTABLISH AN OFF-LEASH PARK IN THE WINDWARD SIDE. FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES WINDWARD RESIDENTS HAVE TRIED TO OPEN A DOG PARK WITHOUT SUCESS. FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS THE WINDWARD DOG PARK HUI HS BEEN DILIGENTLY WORKING TO OPEN AN OFF-LEASH DOG PARK. WE HAVE CONTACTED STATE AND CITY OFFICIALS AND HAVE COLLECTED THOUSANDS OF PETITIONS IIN SUPPORT.

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NAME	Gary and Jeri	Barnes			
ADRESS	or PHONE # _	_45-002B	Holowai St, Kaneohe, 96744	808-234-1741	

From: Neil Berg <funpractice@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:13 AM

To: waltestimony
Cc: Tirzah Barrett
Subject: HCR-117

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

I'm writing on behalf of Ms. Tirzah Barrett (1065 Mokulua Dr., Kailua). Ms. Barrett unfortunately cannot now to email her support of HCR-117 before what we understand to be a 10:00 deadline this morning. She supports the establishment of an off-leash dog park in Windward Oahu and she further notes that for nearly 20 years windward residents have work, unfortunately without success, to open a dog park. Tirzah also supports the efforts of the Windward Dog Park Hui during the last three years to establish an off-leash park.

Tirzah hopes that you pass HCR-117 for the benefit of the community.

From: Kimberlee Harding < kimberleeharding@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:12 AM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 Windward Dog Park Support

Aloha Chairman Ryan Yamane and committee members.

I am writing to you with strong support of HCR - 117 to establish an off-leash dog park on the windward side. I have lived in Kaneohe for over 10 years with a dog and have not had a safe or appropriate place to take my dog for exercise, play, and socialization. These activities are important to have a well mannered animal that can interact with the community.

Many windward residents have tried for decades to have a dog park created on the windward side without any success. The park is really needed for responsible dog owners and thousands of signatures of support have been collected.

Please pass this measure for the citizens on the windward side of Oahu.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

Kimberlee Harding 808-265-4627

From: Jayne Bopp <jaynebopp@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 8:56 AM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 Windward Dog Park SUPPORT

Please support of HRC - 117 to establish an off-leash park in the windward side. As an owner of two large dogs who lives in a townhouse we desperately need a safe place for our pets to run and play. For almost 20 years windward residents have tried to open a dog park. For the last three years, the Windward Dog Park Hui has worked diligently to open an off-leash dog park. We have contacted state and city officials and have collected thousands of petitions in support.

Please pass this measure for the benefit and safety of the community.

Many thanks, Patricia Jayne Bopp

47-665 Hui Kelu St. #2

Kaneohe, HI 96744

808-255-5855

From: Neil Berg <funpractice@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 8:55 AM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** HCR-117

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

I strongly support HCR-117 to establish an off-leash dog park in windward Oahu. Windward residents have worked for almost 20 years to open a dog park, unfortunately without success. For the last three years the Windward Dog Park Hui has diligently worked to identify land for a dog park and to otherwise establish a dog park. The Hui has contacted State and City officials and collected thousand of petition signatures in support of a windward dog park.

Please pass HCR-117 for the benefit of the community.

Dr. Neil Berg 1065 Koohoo Pl. Kailua, HI 96734 808-729-3000

From: Judy Fujimoto <fooj@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 10:09 PM

To: waltestimony
Subject: HCR 117

I support this bill for the Windward dog park. Thank you Judy Fujimoto 808 383-3863 Jesus Loves You

From: Eve Chinen <e.chinen@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 10:08 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 Windward Dog Park SUPPORT

Aloha Chairman Ryan I. Yamane and committee members,

I am writing in strong support of HCR 117 to establish an off-leash park on the windward side of Oahu.

We truly need a dog park so our dogs can enjoy the outdoors(for exercise and enrichment) and to socialize with other dogs. The Windward Dog Park Hui has worked conscientiously for the past three years in an effort to open a dog park.

I sincerely ask that you will pass this measure for it will make a positive impact upon our community.

Eve Chinen 46-157 Nona Lp. Kaneohe, HI 96744 808-235-5972

From: Hokulilimoki <cmxcat@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:38 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 - We really need a Windward Dog Park!

Every community needs a place for families to socialize with their dogs off-leash, and the Windward side is full of such families. Please help us to finally make this happen! We are So grateful for your support of HRC 117:)

Aloha, Cristina Meier 47-501 Ahuimanu Rd, D-2 Kaneohe 96744

From: Judith Kim <ukclass2003@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:27 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR117- off leash dog park.

To Rep. Ryan I. Yamane. Chair- Committee of Water and Land, and committed members.

In support of HCR117- Establishing an off leash dog park in Windward Oahu. Much needed, to have a safe place to take our dogs.

Judith Kim

From: Martha Chantiny <mechantiny@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:25 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: windward dog park

my husband and I live in ahuimanu and we support the establishment of a windward dog park with regard to Hcr 117

thank you.

- -Martha chantiny
- -Jerry Jacobs

47-371 kapehe street

From: Hokulilimoki <cmxcat@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:02 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 - We really need a Windward Dog Park!

Every community needs a place for families to socialize with their dogs off-leash, and the Windward side is full of such families. Please help us to finally make this happen! We are So grateful for your support of HRC 117:)

Sent from my iPad

From: Noel Fishman <noelfish@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 8:32 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 Windward Dog Park Support

Aloha Chairman Ryan I. Yamane and Committee

I am writing in support of an off-leash dog park on the windward side. We have been trying to get an off-leash dog park for many years and are getting closer. The windward dog hui have contacted city and state officials and have collected thousands of signatures. Please pass resolution HCR 117 to help the community.

Noel Fishman 580-A N. Kalaheo Ave. Kailua 96734 Sent from my iPhone

Sent from my iPhone

From: Kawehi Lindsey <kawehi@me.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 7:48 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 17 Windward Dog Park Support

ALOHA CHAIRMAN RYAN I. YAMANE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS,

I AM WRITING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF HCR - 117 TO ESTABLISH AN OFF-LEASH PARK IN THE WINDWARD SIDE. FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES WINDWARD RESIDENTS HAVE TRIED TO OPEN A DOG PARK WITHOUT SUCCESS.

FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS THE WINDWARD DOG PARK HUI HAS BEEN DILIGENTLY WORKING TO OPEN AN OFF-LEASH DOG PARK. WE HAVE CONTACTED STATE AND CITY OFFICIALS AND HAVE COLLECTED THOUSANDS OF PETITIONS IN SUPPORT.

I HOPE YOU PASS THIS MEASURE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY.

NAME Kawehi Lindsey And my dogs (808)389-0591 Sent from my iPhone

From: K .M. Kelly <stardance@earthlink.net>
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 7:45 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: Strong support for HCR-117

Aloha Chairman Ryan I. Yamane and Committee Members,

I am writing in strong support of HCR - 117 to establish a dog park on the windward side of Oahu. We dog owners have been working for & waiting for this for a long time. We need this for the benefit of the community.

Mahalo Kathleen Kelly 545A Keolu Drive Kailua HI

From: barbara abe <barbaraabe13@gmail.com>
Sent: barbara abe <barbaraabe13@gmail.com>

To: waltestimony
Subject: HCR 117

FROM: Barbara Abe

In Support

Aloha House Committee on Water and Land, Chair Yamane and Committee Members:

My name is _Barbara Abe_____ and I ask for your endorsement of HCR 117. We need more off-leash dog parks on Oahu, where more than half of all households share their home with one or more dogs. Dog owners represent a large constituency and they deserve to have access to public park space where their dogs can accompany them and be free to roam and play.

Dog parks promote a healthy lifestyle for both people and their dogs. They provide an opportunity for exercise and socialization. They enhance our sense of community.

Windward dog owners have been trying for over a decade to establish an off-leash dog park in the Windward area. Please help them.

Mahalo,
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From: Jaymie Pinho <jaymiep1984@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:38 AM

To: waltestimony
Subject: HCR117

I support windward dog park.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Shealin Johnson < shealin@mac.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:28 AM

To: waltestimony **Subject:** Hcr117

Windward dog park support

I support the dog park for the windward side. Please give us and our dogs an opportunity to share the aina in a safe environment.

Smiles Shealin Johnson

Sent from my iPhone

From: Wyatt Ferreira < wyatt.ferreira@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 1:20 PM

To: waltestimony

Subject: HCR 117 Windward Dog Park SUPPORT

Chairman Ryan Yamane and Committee Members,

I am writing to you in strong support of HCR 117 to establish an off-leash dog park on the Windward Side. The Windward Dog Park Hui has done an incredible job of gathering community members who share the same love of dogs and have to travel to other areas on the island to provide them with an opportunity to run off-leash at a dog park. The Windward side of the island has been without an off-leash dog park for far too long. There are thousands of other members of the Windward community who have signed petitions in support of such park.

I urge you to pass this measure for the benefit of the community.

Wyatt Ferreira 196-2 Noke Street Kailua, HI 96734

From: tom davis <shouper1942@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 2:54 PM

To: waltestimony
Subject: HCR-117

I STRONGLY SUPPORT A DOG PARK FOR THE WINDWARD SIDE OF OAHU AND I HOPE YOU DO TOO. TOM DAVIS HAUULA