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Statement of
MARY ALICE EVANS
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before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
Thursday, February 20, 2020
1:00 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 211

in consideration of
SB 2809, SD 1
RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means.

The Office of Planning (OP) **strongly supports** SB 2809 SD 1, which would provide an unspecified amount of Capital Improvement Project (CIP) funds for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 to support the planning and coordination of transit-oriented development (TOD) projects identified in the *State Strategic Plan for Transit-Oriented Development (State TOD Strategic Plan)* issued by the Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development.

OP requests that the initial SB 2809 amount of \$1.5 million be appropriated, provided that the funding and appropriation does not replace or adversely impact priorities in the Executive Budget.

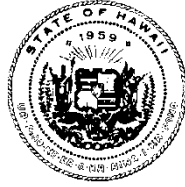
Funding to support coordination of State and County TOD and Smart Growth planning efforts is particularly critical for Neighbor Island counties. To-date, TOD CIP planning funds have been directed to TOD projects along the Honolulu rail corridor. Neighbor Island TOD Council members have expressed concerns about the Oahu-centric nature of State TOD planning initiatives and funding. This funding could provide needed seed money to advance Neighbor Island TOD projects in the *State TOD Strategic Plan* that require State and County collaboration for planning and implementation—funding the development of area plans, project master plans, and TOD infrastructure assessments.

Candidate projects are listed in the *State TOD Strategic Plan*, posted at http://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/op/lud/State-TOD-Strategic-Plan_Dec-2017-Rev-Aug-2018_rev20190715_secured.pdf, and TOD Project Fact Sheets for State TOD Plan projects are

posted as well at http://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/op/lud/State-TOD-Strategic-Plan_FactSheets_Rev-Aug-2018_rev20190715_secured-20190823.pdf.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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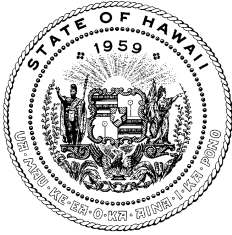
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HHFDC supports S.B. 2809, S.D.1, provided that it does not adversely impact priorities set forth in the Executive Supplemental Budget.

As the co-chair of the Interagency Council on Transit-Oriented Development (TOD), we support the appropriation of funds to the Office of Planning for the purposes set forth in the bill. The funding will provide seed money to fund Neighbor Island TOD projects identified in the State TOD Strategic Plan for area planning, master planning, and infrastructure assessments.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written comments on this bill.



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The Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD Council) **strongly supports** SB 2809, SD 1. The TOD Council is comprised of 25 members representing State agencies, the counties, the State Senate and House of Representatives, the Honolulu office of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and affordable housing, business, and development interest groups. The TOD Council is charged with coordinating and facilitating State agency TOD planning, and facilitating consultation and collaboration between the State and the counties in support of State and county TOD and Smart Growth initiatives.

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We respectfully request that the initial SB 2809 amount of \$1.5 million be appropriated, provided that the funding and appropriation does not replace or adversely impact priorities in the Executive Budget. We anticipate and will give priority to using the funds to seed Neighbor Island TOD projects identified in the *State TOD Strategic Plan*.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.