

[SCR138 Proposed SD1/SR122 Proposed SD1](#): URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO CELEBRATE THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LANIKAI BIKEWAY AND RECOGNIZE THE EFFORTS OF TED ROGERS AND CYNTHIA THIELEN WHO LED THE EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH IT. (PROPOSED SD1)

Testimony from Thomas W. Cestare, President, Lanikai Association

Cynthia Thielen and Ted Rodgers represent the best of us. As a long-time residents of Lanikai and Kailua, they have always represented our community and sought to improve neighborhoods. We have always counted on them to do the right thing for our neighborhood.

This summer we will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Lanikai bike lane. It is impressive that community leaders, lead by Cynthia Thielen and Ted Rodgers had the foresight to recognize the value of of a bike lane fifty years ago. Along with a number of natural landmarks, the Lanikai bike lane is one of the main features of our community. For fifty years, the bike lane has been the meeting place for walkers, runners, bikers, strollers, and children going to school. The bike lane loop, which we believe to be the first bike lane in the State, is one of the things that defines Lanikai.

We wholeheartedly endorse this resolution, a well-deserved honor for Cynthia Thielen and Ted Rodgers.

As we say in Lanikai, "See you on da loop!"

Mahalo, Cynthia and Ted, for your advanced thinking and all of your work for our community.

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I strongly support SCR138 Proposed SD1 and SCR122 Proposed SD2 to honor former Kailua State Representative Cynthia Thielen for her work on the Lanikai bike lane. The bike lane is just one of her many accomplishments during her 30 year tenure in the State House in which she served Kailua with great distinction.

Since Representative Thielen's retirement I have strongly believed that she should be honored for her outstanding service. No one has done more for Kailua than Cynthia Thielen who enjoyed wide support across the political spectrum for her tireless efforts on behalf of the environment, small business, public education and public health. She is quite modest and did not even want a room in the Kailua Public Library named after her, although she certainly deserves a much grander gesture. Kailua residents will be quite happy for the Lanikai bikeway celebration as it is a chance to publically thank a truly magnificent public servant who worked full-time at a part-time job long past retirement age. Thank you so much for this opportunity to recognize the outstanding achievements of Representative Thielen has done for our community.

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Comments:

Thank you for the opportunity to support this resolution.