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Mayor Kirk Caldwell
All City Councilmembers
Senator Laura Thielen
Representative Chris Lee
All Neighborhood Board Chairs

Aloha,

On behalf of Chair Wilson Kekoa Ho, I am sending this resolution, which was passed by the Waimānalo Neighborhood Board No. 32 at its Monday, June 10, meeting.

Waimānalo Neighborhood Board Resolution

URGING MAYOR KIRK CALDWELL, CITY COUNCIL CHAIR IKAIKA ANDERSON AND THE CITY COUNCIL TO STOP FURTHER DESTRUCTION OF SHERWOODS FOREST (a.k.a. THE WAIMĀNALO BAY BEACH PARK) PHASE I CONSTRUCTION PROJECT IMMEDIATELY AND ANY FUTURE CONSTRUCTION UNTIL THE WAIMĀNALO COMMUNITY DETERMINES ITS NEEDS AND PRIORITIES.

WHEREAS, in 2012 the Waimanalo Bay Beach Park Master Plan was approved by the City and County of Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, seven years later, Phase I construction started on April 19, 2019, costing taxpayers an estimated \$ 1.4 million; and

WHEREAS, a meeting was led by community members on Friday, April 26, 2019 with Councilmember Ikaika Anderson and staff member Alan Teixeira with over 100 attendees to hear their concerns; and

WHEREAS, the community expressed concerns related to traffic, lack of repair and maintenance of existing county-operated facilities, elimination of green space, threat to our natural resources, lack of regard for our cultural resources, lack of community input into the process, use of outdated data and plans; and

WHEREAS, over 800 handwritten signatures in opposition to the project were collected, urging the City & County of Honolulu and Councilmember Ikaika Anderson to fix existing facilities first; and

WHEREAS, an additional 17,724+ online signatures in opposition to the project to Mayor Kirk Caldwell, Ikaika Anderson, Kymberly Marcos Pine, Heidi Tsuneyoshi, Tommy Waters, Ann Kobayashi, Carol Fukunaga, Joey Manahan and Brandon Elefante urging them to save Sherwood's and repair fields at Waimānalo Beach Park and gym first; and

WHEREAS, the Waimānalo Bay Beach Park Master Plan did not discuss alignment with a Waimānalo Community Plan and instead was developed in alignment to the outdated O'ahu General Plan and the Ko'olau Poko Sustainable Communities Plan (KSCP); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the quorum vote of the Waimānalo Neighborhood Board No. 32 at its Monday, June 10, 2019 meeting that Mayor Kirk Caldwell, City Council Chair Ikaika Anderson and the City and County

of Honolulu are urged to stop further destruction of Sherwood Forest by halting the Phase I project immediately and any future construction until the Waimānalo Community determines its needs and priorities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Waimānalo Neighborhood Board No. 32 will establish a committee of Board members and community members to plan and facilitate such discussions and will seek financial resources from the City and County, State and other resources to support this effort; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a signed certified copy of this resolution be delivered to Mayor Kirk Caldwell, all City Council Members, All Neighborhood Boards, Senator Laura Thielen and Representative Chris Lee, by Saturday, June 15, 2019.

The Waimānalo Neighborhood Board No. 32 adopted this resolution, by a vote of 10-1-0 at its Monday, June 10, 2019 meeting.

Submitted by: Wilson Kekoa Ho, Chair, Waimānalo Neighborhood Board

Aloha,
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