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Dear Mr. Kaku,

I would like to take this opportunity to respond to the City's scoping process in which the City is to explain the transportation alternatives and receive public comments. We have heard many times from the Mayor and the City that the only thing to consider is the train. Now we learn that the train will run elevated down our waterfront. We also learn that there will be a five story high station in front of Aloha Tower. As a ka'ma'aina, the prospect of the proposed visual blight along our waterfront, which I believe all of us want protected, is an unconscionable proposal. Relieving congestion should be our chief concern and the train will not do that. Please study real alternatives such as traffic light coordination, staggered school hours and managed lanes from east Honolulu, and come back to the people. To say that there is only one alternative is insulting!

Very truly yours,

Leslie Mattice

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