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Attention: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project

Aloha!

The Hawai'i Hotel & Lodging Association is a statewide association of hotels, condominiums, timeshare companies, management firms, suppliers, and other related firms and individuals. Our membership includes over 170 hotels representing over 47,300 rooms. Our hotel members range from the 2,523 rooms of the Hilton Hawaiian Village to the 4 rooms of the Bougainvillea Bed & Breakfast on the Big Island.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide comments on the proposed Environmental Impact Statement for Honolulu's High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. The Hawai'i Hotel & Lodging Association ("HHLA") continues to support the fixed guide-way alternative from Kapolei to the University of Hawaii serving the airport.

We are, however, very concerned about the Waikiki spur utilizing an elevated guide-way along Kuhio Ave. HHLA believes alternative solutions to servicing Waikiki need to be considered in the EIS process. The impacts of any elevated lines along Kuhio Avenue will outweigh the benefits of this service. It is essential that alternative solutions for providing access to Waikiki be considered. We believe one alternative to be studied for the Waikiki spur should include a Waikiki people mover that connects to the main fixed guide-way in the vicinity of Ala Moana Center or the Hawaii Convention Center.

Again, mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments. If you have any questions or concerns on this matter, please feel free to contact me at (808) 923-0407 or via email at mtowill@hawaiihotels.org

Mahalo Nui Loa

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