



**HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL, SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2006
10:00 A.M.**

BILL 79, (2006) C.D. 1 Relating to Transit.

Council Chair Del Cruz and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

I WILL RIDE.

My name is John Radcliffe, Associate Executive Director of the University of Hawaii Professional Assembly (UHPA), the union that represents the 3,400 faculty of the University of Hawaii System.

UHPA supports rail transit as the best means to tie the west side of Oahu with the central core.

The academic future of Oahu, and thus the whole state, is tied to freeing access to and from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. For thirty years this union has had a vision that, using rail, we can put student and faculty housing, athletic facilities, and undergraduate campus buildings, on the Ewa Plain and using rail, travel back and forth.

Please build the rail system now.

Sincerely,


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