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Mr. Susumo Ono Chairman Land Board Kalanimoku Building Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Mr. Ono:

As you know, the Honolulu City Council established the Waikiki Task Force to review the present conditions in Waikiki, to suggest alternative courses of action to remedy existing problems and to serve as a facilitator to achieve the high level of efficiency and quality befitting Waikiki's role as a major tourist destination, as well as a special place where our residents work, live and play.

One of the issues the Task Force has been reviewing is the Natatorium. In their review, the Task Force has explored such things as the present state of disrepair, liability factors, cost of restoration, usage and location. After much consideration and discussion, the Task Force made the following recommendations:

- l The Natatorium be demolished as soon as possible
- 2. The large rock and plaque in front of the Natatorium be saved to serve as a memorial for those who served their country during World War I.
- 3. The open space created by the demolition be maintained as open space to provide additional beach space.

It is the hope of the Task Force that the Land Board look favorably upon these recommendations.

Sincerely,

HIRAM L. FONG, JR., Chairman Waikiki Task Force

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