



MILILANI/ WAIPIO/ MELEMANU NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 25

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REQUESTING SPECTRUM NOT TO RELOCATE EXISTING OLELO PUBLIC TV CHANNELS AND REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS (DCCA) TO REGULATE ALL PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL DESIGNATIONS AND RELOCATIONS

WHEREAS, Public Access, TV (PEG) is a matter of Law, created by the FCC in 1969-71 and mandated under the 1984 Cable communication Act, and

WHEREAS, Spectrum is proposing to displace Olelo channels 49, 53, 54, and 55, and including Video on Demand channels 50 and 52 into high numbered channels where they are difficult to find, hard to watch being so far from the main traffic lineup, and

WHEREAS, public channels were set up to create access for people who otherwise would not have a voice, and to encourage civic engagement by televising issues of public importance and in-depth coverage of public meetings, and

WHEREAS, research shows that when channels are relocated in the absence of a well-funded rebranding campaign, a significant audience is lost, and

WHEREAS, if relocation is done as Spectrum proposes, community groups, public interest groups, political groups, educational groups, and others will be silenced, significantly limiting free speech, and imposing unfair barriers to organizations like 'Olelo; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that Mililani, Waipio, Melemanu Neighborhood Board #25 requests Spectrum to leave existing Community Access Channels where they are, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that DCCA be empowered to regulate all channel designations and the relocation of public, educational and government access channels, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Hawaii Congressional delegation, the Federal Communications Commission, the Governor and the Attorney General of the State of Hawaii, all members of the Hawaii State Legislature, all County Mayors, the *Honolulu Star Advertiser*, *Civil Beat*, and all Neighborhood Board Chairs.

Adopted by Mililani-Waipio-Melemanu Neighborhood Board No. 25 at its regular meeting of February 28, 2018, by a vote of 17-02-1.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard G. Poirier", is written over a horizontal line.

Richard G. Poirier, Chair