HB 2429, HD2, SD1 – RELATING TO RECREATION

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tsutsui and Members of the Committee:

The University supports the intent of HB 2429, HD2, SD1, which, as it is currently written, requires the University of Hawaii, with the assistance of other public and private sector entities involved in the development of West Oahu, to study the feasibility of constructing a new recreational stadium in West Oahu and report back to the 2009 legislature.

We are willing to work with the many stakeholders involved, such as the federal, state and county agencies, as well as the private sector in conducting a study. Due to the amount of work required in such a short time frame we kindly request that an appropriation in the amount of $250,000 be inserted into section 3, in order to meet the deadline of the start of the 2009 legislative session.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.