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Dear honorable Kauai County Council members,

It is the position of the Kilauea Neighborhood Association that we are better leaving things as they are in the Coastal Zone Ordinances in regards to coastal setbacks than adopting Bill 2461 as is.

By reducing the shoreline setback on large rocky bluff properties by 60%, it will affect not only seabird habitat but the beauty of Kauai's coastal area. It is only in the CZO Article 27 that view-planes and the beauty of Kauai's coastal area are protected (nothing in the SMA currently protects those), which is exactly what the article in Bill 2461 intends to impact by eliminating the 100 foot setback requirement for large lots on rocky bluffs. If the intention of introducing this bill is to only address erosion control, and not address the view-plane, we'll be simply repeating the same mistakes made with the TVR's and waiting for studies to be done until a new ordinance is passed.

However, the KNA feels that the hard work put into this bill can be salvaged if you eliminate the rocky bluff exemption from this bill. If this exemption is eliminated, the bill is sound and should be passed. We put our trust in this Council to make the right decision and vote on an amended Bill 2461. If it is not amended, then kill this bill for the sake of one of Kauai's best assets, it's beauty.

Mahalo nui loa,

Yoshi L'Hote
President