

Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board supports Bicycle Resolution

Send an email to Natalie Iwasa at **the-green-one@hawaii.rr.com** to indicate that your name should be added to the list. Please indicate your full name (first and last) and whether you are a bicyclist or not. If you are not a bicyclist, please give yourself a title – parent, soccer coach, teacher, etc.

Bicycle Safety Resolution Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board

WHEREAS, the voters passed Charter Amendment 8 by approximately 77% in the general election asking the city to make pedestrian and bicycle safety a priority, and

WHEREAS, there are a large number of bicyclists that ride around and through East Honolulu, and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the state and county to ensure that the roads and paths that are marked as bike routes are safe and well maintained, and

WHEREAS, there has been a lot of development recently in East Oahu with many more people moving into Hawaii Kai and the surrounding communities bringing with them more cars on the road and a greater chance of accidents with bikers occurring, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City and County of Honolulu and State of Hawaii to encourage people to exercise, especially children, and

WHEREAS, the year-round good weather makes it possible to commute to work and school by bicycle, thus decreasing the number of cars on the road

Therefore BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board asks the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu and its relevant Departments and the State of Hawaii's Department of Transportation to improve conditions for bicyclists by:

1. Developing new bike paths, routes or bikeways in all new developments according to the East Honolulu Sustainable Communities Plan.
2. Maintaining and improving where possible all existing bike lanes and routes in East Honolulu.
3. Placing bike racks in all city, county and state parks.
4. Restriping and painting the bike lanes on Kalaniana'ole Hwy. from Aina Koa Street to Lunalilo Home Road and from Kealahou to Makapuu Beach Park.

5. Implementing procedures for the safe placement of temporary construction signs so as not to intrude in bike lanes
6. Regularly trimming trees, bushes and grass that encroach on bike lanes and shoulders, specifically from Aina Koa Street to Lunalilo Home Road and from Kealahou to Makapuu Beach Park.
7. Including input from the bicycling community on ways to improve safety for bicyclists during construction projects and the final design.
8. Including additional bicycle safety questions in the state driver's license exam.
9. Straightening the guard rail along the makai side of Kalaniana'ole Hwy. Ewa of Lunalilo Home Road in order to increase the width of the shoulder.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution go to: the Mayor, City Council members, the Department of Transportation Services, Department of Planning and Permitting, Department of Parks and Recreation, Kuliouou/Kalani Iki and Waimanalo Neighborhood Boards, Hawaii Bicycling League, State Department of Transportation, Senators Slom, Muramoto and Hemmings, and Representatives Berg and War