

COMMITTEE FOR EQUITY IN WOMEN'S SURFING

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Chair Ikaika Anderson and Councilmembers
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: **Concerns Regarding BILL 10-2020**

Dear Chair Anderson,

The Committee for Equity in Women's Surfing supports amending BILL 10-2020.

Please amend BILL 10-2020 to require the inclusion of a women's division and a men's division in all professional surfing competitions held on Oahu.

All sports competitions held solely on land, property, or facilities owned by the City and County of Honolulu and any event that awards prize compensation to competitors shall require as a condition of a permit that the event have gendered categories and the prize compensation for each gendered category be identical at each participant level.

Increasing the number of events and the number of awards for women, as well as offering equal prize money, is the only way to achieve meaningful equity in competitive sports.

Thank you,

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