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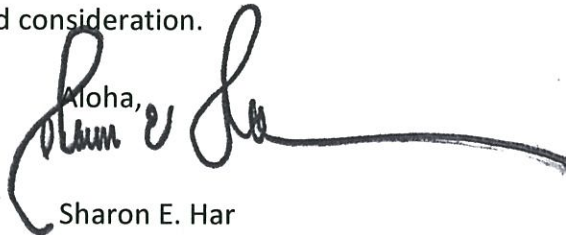
To: Keeper of the Register
National Parks Service
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Sharon Har. I represent the 42 House District, which includes the West Oahu communities of Kapolei and Makakilo. I am writing to support the nomination of Ewa Battlefield to the National Historic Register as an important battlefield site that has local, state and national significance as part of the December 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. Nearly everyone today knows the story of "Pearl Harbor" and what happened. But that story largely neglects what happened in West Oahu. At the time of the attack, Marine Corps Air Corps Station 'Ewa was the largest US Marine Corps aviation center and operations hub in the Pacific. The Japanese attack damaged or destroyed over 30 U.S. aircraft, and killed four Marines and two civilians. 65 people were wounded and taken to local hospitals.

Marine Corps Air Corps Station 'Ewa is a place of great historic significance because it was one of the first battlefields of U.S. involvement in World War II. Other Pearl Harbor historic battlefield sites have become National Historic Landmarks and part of the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument. It is only fair that that Ewa Battlefield and the Ewa Community also receive the same historic recognition and commemorative honor as have other Pearl Harbor battle sites.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Aloha,


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