

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

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STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 570

Honorable Members
Twentieth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 570, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to the Waianae Coast Community Benchmarking Pilot Project and Appropriating Funds to Support the Project."

The purposes of Senate Bill No. 570 are to extend the Waianae Coast Community Benchmarking Pilot Project from June 30, 2000, to June 30, 2003, and to appropriate \$2 for fiscal year 1999-2000 to support the work of the project.

This community benchmarking project, intended to improve the quality of life on the Waianae coast, involves setting community goals and establishing indicators or benchmarks to show movement toward those goals. This project was started several years ago by private agencies and much of its goal setting and visioning have already been accomplished. In 1997, proponents sought funding to implement some of its subprojects; however, no funding was provided. Instead, the Legislature acknowledged their efforts by formally establishing the Waianae Coast Benchmarking Pilot Project.

This year, proponents once again sought funding for six subprojects, including a culture and arts program, a communications infrastructure project, a health academy, managed care for the elderly, a pre-school program, and an ethno-botanical Hawaiian garden. The project's request was for \$350,000 in general funds, \$50,000 for each of six subprojects and an additional \$50,000 as a grant to the Hawaii Community Services Council for overall technical support services to the project. However, this bill will appropriate only \$2 to

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the project.

This bill is unnecessary, especially with the insignificant appropriation. Even without this bill, the project has one more year before its automatic repeal date of June 30, 2000.

For the foregoing reasons, I am returning Senate Bill No. 570 without my approval.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Benjamin J. Cayetano". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B' and 'C'.

BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO
Governor of Hawaii

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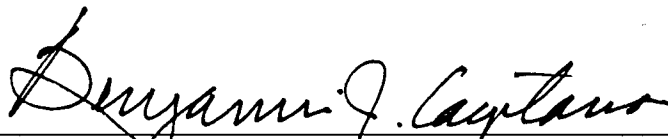
WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Governor is required to give notice, by a proclamation, of his plan to return with his objections any bill presented to him less than ten days before adjournment sine die or presented to him after adjournment sine die of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 570, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to the Waianae Coast Community Benchmarking Pilot Project and Appropriating Funds to Support the Project," passed by the Legislature, was presented to the Governor within the aforementioned period; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 570 is unacceptable to the Governor of the State of Hawaii;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO, Governor of the State of Hawaii, do hereby issue this proclamation, pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, giving notice of my plan to return Senate Bill No. 570 with my objections thereon to the Legislature as provided by said Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution.

DONE at the State Capitol, Honolulu,
State of Hawaii, this 7th
day of June, 1999.



BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO
Governor of Hawaii