## **EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS**

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January 29, 2007

The Honorable Senator Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

## Dear Madam President:

I am requesting your immediate consideration and passage of Senate Bill 1463, which makes an emergency appropriation of \$41,000,000 out of Hawaii Health Systems Corporation special fund for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 in order to cover the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation operational costs of providing additional services that will increase the current spending ceiling and comply with the expenditure ceiling requirement. This proposal is to meet an existing critical funding emergency.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. The Department of Health will be available to answer any questions you or your staff may have.

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

c: The Honorable Senator Rosalyn Baker, Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The Honorable Senator David Y. Ige, Chair Senate Committee on Health