

DEPT. COMM. NO. 9

November 26, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President And Members of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

For your information and consideration, the University of Hawai'i is transmitting herewith, two (2) copies of the Report on Grandparents Raising Grandchildren for 2009 (Act 11, Special Session 2008, Part IV, Section 9) as requested by the Legislature.

This report establishes a task force with the responsibility to report to the legislature on (1) a list of the services that exist in each county to meet grandparents' identified needs; (2) a discussion of service deficiencies in each county; (3) a discussion of identifiable barriers that prevent grandparents from accessing services; (4) a summary of the task force's work and any findings; and (5) recommendations, including any proposed legislation.

Pursuant to Act 231, SLH 2001, we are also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at: http://www.hawaii.edu/offices/eaur/govrel/reports/2009/index.html.

Sincerely.

David McClain

President

Enclosure