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Statement of

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Before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

March 10, 2010 9:00 A.M. Room 325, Hawaii State Capitol

In consideration of S.B. 2276 S.D. 1 RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) <u>supports</u> S.B. 2276 S.D.1, which prohibits possession of open liquor containers in common areas of public housing projects. This bill would improve the ability of HPHA to control disruptive activity within our communities by having police cite or arrest people in possession of open containers of liquor.

Disruptive behavior fueled by drinking, mainly on the part of non-residents and visitors, is a problem in some housing projects. Currently the police are unable to arrest someone holding a container of liquor unless the police observe the person putting the container to their mouth, or unless a witness is willing to testify. In meetings with residents and police this enhancement of the current law prohibiting consumption in public areas was requested in order to improve the atmosphere and maintain order for residents.

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Testimony for SB 2276, SD1, Relating to Intoxicating Liquor

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Please find attached, testimony for Senate Bill 2276, SD1, Relating to Intoxicating Liquor, scheduled for Wednesday, March 10, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in room 325. Thank You.

With Integrity, Respect and Fairness,

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March 10, 2010

The Honorable Rida Cabanilla, Chair and Members
Committee on Housing
House of Representatives
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Cabanilla and Members:

Subject: Senate Bill No. 2276, S.D. 1, Relating to Intoxicating Liquor

I am Captain Britt A. Nishijo of District 5 (Kalihi), of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports the passage of Senate Bill No. 2276, S.D. 1 which would amend the current law to not only prohibit consumption of liquor but also possession of open liquor containers in certain locations, particularly in common areas of public housing communities.

The passage of this bill would facilitate our efforts in dealing with the problems associated with unlawful liquor consumption in specific locations identified in the bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this bill.

Sincerely.

BRITT A. NISHIJO, Captair

District 5

APPROVED:

LOUIS M. KEAI Chief of Police TO: The Honorable Rida Cabanailla, CHAIR
TheHonorable Pono Chong, Vice Chair
and Members of the housing Committee

DATE:

Wednesday, March 10, 2010 9:00 AM Room 325

RE: SB 2276, SD1 Relating to Public Housing

POSITION: STRONG SUPPORT

My name is <u>Fetu Kolio</u>, as a resident of public housing please help pass this bill SB 2276, SD1 it will help deter, criminal elements that use our public housing as a <u>SAFE ZONE</u> for there drinking, and drugs.

SB 2276,SD1 would help with a solution to start with-in, the housing property of (HPHA) to alleviate or eliminate public drinking in parking lots, sidewalks, and yards, that creates extremely —loud nose disturbance.

The property owners responsibility is to help keep the peace, so that tenants can enjoy there accommodation under the rental agreement, for good night sleep.

Thank you for hearing this bill and my testimony please pass SB 2276, SD1.

FETU KOLIO, (Mayor Wright Homes Tenants Association) (PRESIDENT) TO: The Honorable Rida Cabanailla, (Chair)
The Honorable Pono Chong, (Vice Chair)
and Members of the Housing Committee

DATE:

Wenesday, March 10, 2010

9:00 AM Room 325

RE:

SB 2276,SD1 Relating to Public Housing

POSITION:

STRONG SUPPORT

My name is <u>Randy Nicky</u>, I live at one of the State Public Housing, in Kalihi at Mayor Wright Homes. I support SB 2276,SD1 because it will help discouraged (unwanted) criminal elements that use State Public Housing for there drug activities. Also <u>STOP</u> the block parties types of publicdrinking on public housing property.

SB 2276,SD1 can help alleviate or eliminate the gang violence that stems from intoxication of gang members on public housing property.

Thank you for hearing this bill and my testimony please help pass SB 2276,SD1.

RANDY NICKY, MOYOR WRIGHT HOMES TO: The Honorable Rida Cabanailla, (Chair)
The Honorable Pono Chong, (Vice Chair)
and Members of the Housing Committee

DATE:

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

9:00 AM Room 325

RE:

SB 2276,SD1

Relating to Public Housing

POSITION:

STRONG SUPPORT

My name is <u>Tikin Naur</u>, I am a resident of <u>Mayor Wright</u> <u>Homes</u>, as a Community Resident we need help in our housing complex. I am testifying today in strong support of bill SB2276

SB 2276,SD1 Relating to Intoxicating Liquor, Prohibits possession of open liquor containers in public housing common areas and on public streets and sidewalks.

We have Gang Members, that use our public housing complex common areas for there public drinking, and for there drug deals, and drug use, please pass bill SB 2276,SD1.

Thank you for hearing this bill SB 2276,SD1 and my testimony please pass this bill.

Tikin Naur, (Mayor Wright Homes)

TO: The Honorable Rida Cabanilla, (Chair) The Honorable Pono Chong, (Vice Chair) and Members of the Housing Committee

DATE:

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

9:00 AM

Room 325

RE:

SB-2276, SD1 Relating to Public Housing

POSITION: STRONG SUPPORT

My name is Leanerd Lester, and a resident of Public housing, Mayor Wright Homes. I want to thank this Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations for hearing this bill SB-2276, SD1. I strongly Support that criminal trespass should be amended to the first degree to help the Hawaii Public Housing Authority, to make sure that safety of residents of public housing and also community residents be a priority.

SB-2278,SD1 would help stop the ongoing issues on assaults and robberies on residents that live in or around public Housing, Mayor Wright Housing. And as a tool for the Honolulu Police Department in fighting crime.

We have drugs, and gangs members the deal them on State Public Housing Property, Mayor Wright Homes.

Please help bring safety to all residents in our communities pass SB-2276, SD1 and for hearing my testimony.

Leanerd Lester, (MAYOR WRIGHT HOMES)

TO: The Honorable Rida Cabanilla , Chair
The Honorable Pono Chong , Vice Chair
and Members of the Housing Committee

DATE:

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

9:00 am

Room 325

RE:

SB-2276,SD1 Relating to Public Housing

POSITION:

STRONG SUPPORT

My name is Ene Augafa, and as a resident of public housing we need this bill SB-2276,SD1 because safety is the main reason why all State Public Housing Tenants, pay rent <u>\$\$</u>.

SB-2276,SD1 would help put a safety plan for tenants by the property owner (H.P.H.A.) because we pay rent to live and appreciate having a place that we call our home at Mayor Wright Homes, public housing.

We have gangs, drugs, shootings, also attacks on Community Residents and tenants of Mayor Wright Housing, Public housing.

Thank you for hearing this bill and my testimony please help pass SB-2276,SD1

Ene Augafa, (Mayor Wright Homes)