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I am writing in support of bills S.B. 897; 947; 904; and 109.

All these deal with housing and homelessness, which is of great concern to me.

Thank you.

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## CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAI'I

## TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF <u>SB 947</u>: MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE HOMELESS PROGRAMS OFFICE

TO:

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair, Senator Les Ihara, Vice Chair,

and Members, Committee on Human Services

FROM:

Betty Lou Larson, Legislative Liaison, Catholic Charities Hawaii

Hearing:

Thursday, 2/3/11; 1:15 p.m.; CR 016

Chair Chun Oakland, Vice Chair Ihara, and Members of the Committee on Human Services

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on SB 947 which makes an appropriation to restore positions for the Homeless Programs Office under the Department of Human Services/BESSD. Catholic Charities Hawaii strongly supports this bill.

The Homeless Programs Office administers both State and federal funding for homeless programs across the State of Hawaii. Their critical functions are being impacted by the severe cut in funding which reduced their staff from 9 persons to 2 persons, currently. Catholic Charities Hawaii works with this Office on many contracts and homeless initiatives. The staff are dedicated and hardworking, but the severe lack of staff has impacted on their ability to effectively and efficiently administer the many contracts under this Office. Providers have experienced delays in contract implementation, payments, etc. The Office needs to be adequately staffed to provide services.

Catholic Charities Hawaii strongly urges the Legislature to support this bill and appropriate adequate funds to restore positions to the Homeless Programs Office.

Thank you for hearing this bill and for your support.





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