STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 89 / HOUSE RESOLUTION 71
REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE CIVIL DEFENSE TO CONDUCT A STUDY
REGARDING WHAT ACTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN WHEN PEOPLE REFUSE TO LEAVE
THEIR HOMES OR CLOSE THEIR BUSINESSES LOCATED IN EVACUATION ZONES
DURING NATURAL DISASTERS.

PRESENTATION TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

BY

MAJOR GENERAL DARRYLL D. M. WONG ADJUTANT GENERAL March 28, 2013

Chair Aquino, Vice Chair Ing, and Members of the Committee on Public Safety.

I am Major General Darryll D. M. Wong, State Adjutant General. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of House Concurrent Resolution 89 / House Resolution 71.

The requested study will provide a closer look at the challenges faced by the county's first responders who deal with the people who refuse to leave their homes or close their businesses located in evacuation zones during natural disasters. The study should provide possible solutions to these difficult situations. There may be a need for new state or county laws to implement these recommended solutions. This study can only benefit the people of Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.