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REQUESTING THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO LEASE A PORTION OF LAND COMPRISING THE KALAELOA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD FOR A FACILITY TO BE DESIGNATED AS THE COAST GUARD PACIFIC REGIONAL CENTER AT KALAELOA.

Testimony to the Joint Senate Hearing for the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and Committee Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Monday, April 1, 2013 2:46 PM Conference Room 016

RE: SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 36 AND SENATE RESOLUTION 17, REQUESTING THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO LEASE PORTION OF LAND COMPRISING THE KALAELOA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD FOR A FACILITY TO BE DESIGNATED AS THE COAST GUARD PACIFIC REGIONAL CENTER AT KALAELOA.

Chair Dela Cruz and Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker, and members of the committees.

My name is Charles Ota and I am the Vice President for Military Affairs at The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii (The Chamber). I am here to state The Chamber's <u>opposition</u> to Senate Concurrent Resolution 36/ Senate Resolution 17, Requesting the Hawaii Community Development Authority to lease portion of land comprising the Kalaeloa Community Development Authority to the United States Coast Guard for a facility to be designated as the Coast Guard Pacific Regional Center at Kalaeloa.

The measure would result in co-locating the headquarters for the 14th Coast Guard District with its Search and Rescue aviation operation currently based at Kalaeloa.

In coordinating the action proposed in this resolution, the Commander of the headquarters for the Coast Guard's 14th District indicated that they were not aware of the proposed action and recommended that the resolution be disapproved.

In light of the above, we oppose the action proposed in the resolutions. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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