A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR SENIOR CENTERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that senior centers in
- 2 Hawaii provide vital health education and screenings, fitness,
- 3 recreation, case management, and other services that enable
- 4 thousands of senior citizens to maintain wellness, support
- 5 independence, and avoid expensive institutional care. The
- 6 executive office on aging's 2013 Profile of Successful Aging
- 7 Among Hawaii's Older Adults notes that supportive relationships,
- 8 interactions with the environment, and engagement in social
- 9 activities have positive correlations with the well-being of
- 10 older adults.
- 11 The legislature further finds that senior centers are
- 12 accessible and popular places where Hawaii's kupuna may gather
- 13 for social engagement and physical activity that contribute to
- 14 their well-being.
- 15 The purpose of this Act is to provide funding for senior
- 16 centers, thereby enabling kupuna to participate in activities to



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help them remain active, healthy, and independent in their 1 community. 2 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general 3 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$320,000 or so much 4 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 to provide 5 funding for grants, pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised 6 Statutes, for seniors centers and to be distributed as follows: 7 (1) Catholic Charities Hawaii for the 8 9 Lanakila multi-purpose senior 10 center \$185,000; (2) Moiliili Community Center for the 11 \$60,000; 12 Moiliili senior center 13 and (3) Waikiki Community Center \$75,000. 14 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of 15 health for the purposes of this Act. 16 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016. 17

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