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Michelle Gray 430 Lanipuao Street Honolulu, HI 96825

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Mahalo,

Ms. Barbara Nosaka PEP Educator 2216 Hoonanea Street Honolulu, HI 96822

808-941-0810

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I strongly oppose HB 1188 and respectfully ask you to hold this bill in committee. In my work, I have personally seen the benefits of this funding. I just completed my nicotine intervention specialist training that was provided by the Lung Association from a grant that came from these funds. We can do more good work and save more lives and money if we invest in health. Thank you.

Mahalo,

Stephen Wehrman RRT RPFT Professor Emeritus UH/KCC

Mr. Stephen Wehrman Program Director, Respiratory Care 4340 Pahoa Ave 9D Honolulu, HI 96816

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Mahalo,

Kaimo Muhlestein

Honolulu, HI 96819

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Mahalo,

Nyla Tahara-Day 1531 Alu Street Hilo, HI 96720

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To save future health care costs we need to fund tobacco prevention.

My family knows all too well the costs of smoking:

..Dad had three separate cardiac bypass operations, two neck surgeries for blocked arteries, multiple strokes and TIA.s

...Mom had two lung cancer surgeries, life-threatening asthma and emphysema ...my brother, who started smoking at 16, now has the beginning stages of emphysema.

If we can keep young people from starting to smoke before they reach 20 we are nearly assured they will never start.

Think of all the private health care dollars, Medicaid and medicare dollars saved!

Don't put these critical dollars into the general fund. They are needed now to keep down future health care costs.

Again, I oppose HB 1188 and respectfully ask you to hold this bill in committee.

Mahalo,

Donna Chalmers

Ms. Donna Chalmers HCR 3 box 11074 Keaau, HI 96749

808-966-4452

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Mahalo,

Mr. Steven Vannatta 5568 Haleola st. Honolulu, HI 96821

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Associate profes Forrest Batz 34 Rainbow Drive Keaau, HI 96749

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| Michelle Robinson | Individual | Support | No |

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| Michael Zehner | Hawaii Smokers Alliance | Support | Yes |

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