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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 564 A BILL RELATING TO VIETNAM WAR COMMEMORATION

PRESENTATION TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY, & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS & CULTURE AND THE ARTS

BY

BRIGADIER GENERAL ARTHUR J. LOGAN ADJUTANT GENERAL AND DIRECTOR OF THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY February 9, 2015

Chair Ito, Vice Chair Tokioka and Members of the House Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs & Culture and the Arts:

I am Brigadier General Arthur J. Logan, State Adjutant General and the Director of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of House Bill 564.

This measure will appropriate funds for the planning of programs and ceremonies commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War. The celebration will be a multi-year running with events occurring from 2015 through 2017.

Many Vietnam-era veterans were drafted into military service and served honorably. Many were wounded and many made the ultimate sacrifice. When they returned from their service, they were greeted by a divided nation that did not celebrate their return from the war. This 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War will be a closure for these forgotten veterans. It will be a fitting way to recognize their service to America.

Thank you for allowing me to testify in **SUPPORT** of House Bill 564.