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## Statement of Hakim Ouansafi Hawaii Public Housing Authority Before the

#### SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

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### In consideration of SB1111 RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

Honorable Chair Espero and Members of the Senate Committee on Housing, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony concerning Senate Bill 1111, relating to the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) <u>supports</u> SB 1111, which appropriates \$94,600 in general funds to hire an additional security guard at Kalihi Valley Homes.

One of the HPHA's greatest concerns and priorities is the safety and well-being of its tenants and staff while continuing to be good neighbors to the surrounding community. This appropriation would allow the HPHA to add much needed security necessary at the Alu Street gate of Kalihi Valley Homes, which has been lacking despite the best efforts of the Authority to provide a safe and secure living environment.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the Senate Committee on Housing with the HPHA's comments regarding SB 1111. We thank you very much for your dedicated support.