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## CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU BEFORE THE COMMITTEES ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2017; 9:15 AM

TO:

THE HONORABLE DONNA MERCADO KIM, CHAIR THE HONORABLE RUSSELL E. RUDERMAN, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

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FROM: ROY K. AMEMIYA, JR., MANAGING DIRECTOR CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

SUBJECT: SB562 RELATING TO TORT LIABILITY

The City and County of Honolulu (City) supports SB562, which makes permanent the provisions of Act 170, Session Laws of Hawaii 2002. This measure provides limited liability protection for county lifeguards and counties providing lifeguard services on beaches or in the ocean. Providing immunity for county lifeguards encourages the counties to provide more safety personnel at beaches. This protects visitors and local residents. This measure also allows the counties to be protected from frivolous lawsuits at the same level as the State. Lifeguards already risk their lives to save others. Exposing them to future liability is unjust.

Thank you for considering this testimony in support of SB562.

KIRK CALDWELL MAYOR

## LATE TESTIMONY

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## <u>SB562</u>

Submitted on: 2/28/2017

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sharon willeford	Individual	Support	No

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From:Mike VictorinoTo:JDLTestimonySubject:Support for SB 562Date:Wednesday, March 1, 2017 10:45:06 AM

Dear Chair Keith-Agaran and Vice Chair Rhoads

I am in full support of SB 562 giving our Ocean Safety Office the protection they deserve. Making it permanent will afford them the peace mind when they perform their important Duties and responsibilities every day while they are out in our Ocean protecting visitors and residents alike.

Michael Victorino. HSCA Lobbyist

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