

House Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs Representative Cedric Asuega Gates, Chair Adrian K. Tam, Vice Chair

> HEARING: February 9, 2022 at 1030am RE: HB2445 Relating to Volunteer Month

Hawaii Firearms Coalition **STRONGLY SUPPORTS HB2445.** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment community heavily relies on volunteers to protect and promote the "right to keep and bear arms." This bill can help acknowledge our thanks to past and current volunteers along with promoting volunteering in the future.

Volunteering in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment community has a long history from militias protecting their communities prior to the Nation's founding. Today we have hundreds of volunteers in many Hawaii organizations who help to protect and promote the 2A through civil rights activism, instructing firearms safety classes, run marksmanship training and competitions, annual gun shows and fundraisers, hunting programs, children safety classes, coaching high school air rifle teams, and much more. Many of our volunteers go on to help with other projects in the communities.

HIFICO SUPPORTS HB2445 and thanks our volunteers who make Hawaii a better place by protecting and promoting the 2md Amendment. We also thank the countless other volunteers who serve the community.

Mahalo

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## <u>HB-2445</u>

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Marcus Tanaka	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this because i volunterr with Hawaii Firearms Coalition, Hawaii Rifle Association, Hawaii Defense Foundation.