<u>SCR-107</u>

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Shirley Yamauchi	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha, my name is Shirley Yamauchi, resident of Oahu since 1992 and lifelong Hawaii resident since 1974. I urge you to pass SCR 107, URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU'S CRISIS OUTREACH RESPONSE AND ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE REGULAR CARE AND SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN THE CENTRAL OAHU, NORTH SHORE, LEEWARD, AND WINDWARD REGIONS OF OAHU ON A REGULAR ROTATING SCHEDULE. I have been residing in Makakilo, Kapolei since 2004 and finding myself often re-locking my car doors at intersections where there are heavy populations of homeless individuals. I have been approached at the 7-11, Starbucks, and Panda Express in Kapolei by homeless individuals seeking loose change. I do not carry much loose change with me, nor do I carry any personal protection weapon of any sort. Many of these individuals probably have gone through long periods of time, with little to no medical care. Should SCR107 be passed, these individuals will receive regular care services, as they deserve to. Please consider passing SCR107, for the safety of our Oahu residents. Mahalo

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Darsha Lee	Individual	Support	In Person

Comments:

Aloha,

My name is Darsha Lee and I am a current Hawai'i resident living in Mililani.

I would like to voice my SUPPORT for SCR107/SR96 requesting the expansion of CORE services throughout O'ahu. Having rotating and more frequent CORE units in areas outside of Downtown/Waikīkī would aid outreach workers in identifying needs, building trust between housed and unhoused Hawai'i residents, and implementing inteventions that are longer lasting, and with better outcomes for all involved.

With this resolution, and with any piece of legislation aimed at addressing houselessness, I would urge our lawmakers to encourage active support and participation from community members in these initiatives.

Additionally, I would encourage lawmakers to seek participation from houseless/formerly houseless persons in strategies for making meaningful changes, as those voices are typically under represented at all levels of government.