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Comments:

To Chair Belatti and members of the House Committee on Health and Homelessness,

I strongly support HCR 45.

The Hawai'i State Framework to Address Homelessness stated, it is "estimated 7,620 individuals without a home on a given night," (yet) "Hawai'i has only 5,722 available beds to specifically accommodate homeless persons."

HCR 45 asks a basic question, if money was no object what would it take to reach the goal set out to meet the framework's goal to reach functional zero homelessness.

"Reaching functional zero does not mean there will be zero homelessness, but indicates that a community has an adequate supply of housing units and the appropriate types of interventions in place to rapidly respond to any person who is experiencing homelessness."

The legislature is the pocketbook for the state. In order to solve a problem this legislature needs a plan of action and the cost of that action. For homelessness there is a need for a vision, an aspirational goal with real policy and budget implications.

This is the first step in order to take care of our vulnerable neighbors and trying to end homelessness in Hawaii.

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Comments:

Aloha,

I support this resolution.

Mahalo nui,

Cards Pintor