

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.R. No. 75
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services & Housing, to which was referred H.R. No. 75 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION IN THE BLACK RIBBON AND BLACK ARM BAND CAMPAIGN AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to encourage participation in the Black Ribbon and Black Arm Band Campaign against domestic violence which urges men to show support for:

- (1) Ending men's violence against women;
- (2) Raising awareness of the problem in the community;
- (3) Conducting educational work in schools, workplaces, and communities; and
- (4) Supporting organizations that assist with the consequences of violence against women.

A concerned individual supported this resolution. The Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence and VOICES supported this measure with amendments.



Your Committee finds that domestic violence is a grave problem in Hawaii and that the State and community must work together to address its causes and devastating effects.

Your Committee has amended this resolution by:

- (1) Changing its title to read: "ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE BLACK RIBBON AND BLACK ARM BAND CAMPAIGN AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE";
- (2) Broadening its scope to urge support from men, women, youth, and seniors to end all forms of domestic violence;
- (3) Adding goals to the campaign, including empowering domestic violence victims and providing a safe haven for these victims;
- (4) Requesting that certified copies of this measure also be sent to the Governor, Director of Human Services, and Director of Health; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services & Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 75, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 75, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services &
Housing,



KARL RHOADS, Acting Chair



