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February 19, 2008

The Honorable Tommy Waters, Chair and Members
Committee on Judiciary
House of Representatives
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

LATE TESTIMONY

Dear Chair Waters and Members:

Subject: House Bill No. 1984, Relating to Public Housing

I am Major Kurt Kendro of District 5 (Kalihi) of the Honolulu Police Department, City and County of Honolulu.

The Honolulu Police Department supports the passage of House Bill No. 1984.

Police officers often respond to incidents in public housing areas and have to deal with disruptive persons who are drinking alcohol in the common areas. Many times we respond to complaints by residents trying to get a peaceful night's sleep. The courts consider these areas semi-private and currently officers are not able to take enforcement action. This bill would allow police officers to address alcohol beverage consumption in the common areas of public housing projects.

We urge your support in passing House Bill No. 1984.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely

KURT KENDRO, Major

District 5

APPROVED:

For: BOISSE P. CORREA

Chief of Police