



Timothy Ho, Chief Deputy Public Defender Testimony of the Office of the Public Defender, State of Hawaii to the House Committee on Judiciary

February 26, 2008, 2:45 p.m.

RE: H.B. 3002: Relating To Prostitution

Chair Waters and Members of the Committee:

This measure would make a third or subsequent conviction for soliciting a prostitute a class C felony.

The Office of the Public Defender opposes H.B. 3002. We believe that treating a third offense as a class C felony is excessive, and a waste of court time and resources. Prostitution cases rarely go to trial, and a vast majority of the "john" cases are pled out at arraignment. If this measure passes, a felony prostitution case would require an establishment of probable cause, either by judicial review (felony information), preliminary hearing or a grand jury hearing. If probable cause is found, then a bench warrant would be issued, and an arraignment and plea hearing held at the circuit court. Subsequent to the arraignment and plea hearing, the case would be assigned to a trial judge, who would schedule a pretrial conference and subsequently a trial status conference. Furthermore, a person charged with the felony offense of prostitution would be entitled to a jury trial.

This measure may also run into equal protection problems, as one group, the "johns" would be singled out for harsher treatment than the prostitutes.

We oppose H.B. 3002. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this bill.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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February 26, 2008

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

Dear Chair Waters and Members:

Subject: House Bill No. 3002, Relating to Prostitution

I am Kerry Inouye, Acting Major of the Narcotics/Vice Division of the Honolulu Police Department, City and County of Honolulu.

The Honolulu Police Department supports House Bill No. 3002, Relating to Prostitution.

Passage of this bill will amend section 712-1200 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes by making a third and subsequent conviction a class C felony. Current enforcement efforts are hindered since the offense is currently classified as a petty misdemeanor. A more stringent sentence will discourage the high rate of recidivism for both the prostitutes and "johns." The current sentencing is an ineffective deterrent to this unlawful behavior.

The Honolulu Police Department urges you to support House Bill No. 3002, Relating to Prostitution.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

ERRY INOUYE, Acting Major

Marcotics/Vice Division

APPROVED:

For: BOISSE P. CORREA

Chief of Police

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Testimony of Thomas Smyth, Chair

House Committee on Judiciary
Tuesday, February 26, 2008
2:45 p.m. Room 325
On
HB 3002 Relating to Prostitution

Chair Waters, Vice Chair Oshiro, and Members of the Committee:

The Downtown Neighborhood Board strongly supports HB 3002 that increases the criminal penalties for prostitutes and their customers who are repeat offenders.

Prostitution and the almost-always related criminal activities of assault, robbery, theft and drug use and distribution are the primary law and order issues in the Downtown/Chinatown area. Increasing penalties for these crimes will help provide our neighborhood with additional public safety enforcement strategies to help us recover a sense of security as we go about our daily lives in the area where we live and often work.

Our neighborhood has activity reacted to the increasing criminal activity associated with street prostitution. We are joining with HPD and City and federal prosecutors in continuing the enormous task of reducing these crimes. Increasing penalties for those involved in these illegal financial transactions will certainly help our efforts.

Much of our neighborhood was designated as a "prostitution-free zone" in 2000 but so far that designation and even the federal support provided by the first Weed and Seed area in Hawaii have only slightly reduced prostitution-related criminal activity. Some would say that there is even more prostitution now than before the designation.

Since an underlying symptom of this criminal activity is money, we do feel that increasing penalties for customers of prostitutes will help balance the justice scales. Hopefully, the prostitutes, who often find themselves unable to easily or safely leave, might see that there is a decline in their activity, and they may finally make the difficult effort to move on.

We are committed through our Neighborhood Watch and close cooperation with HPD, prosecutors and the Judiciary to making these increased criminal penalties a part of the overall effort to end the disturbing increase in crime in our neighborhood.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

JUDtestimony

Rep. Karl Rhoads From:

Sent: Monday, February 25, 2008 6:57 PM

To: JUDtestimony

Subject: FW: HB 3002 Relating to Prostitution

From: Lynneh

Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:55 AM

To: Rep. Thomas Waters Cc: Rep. Blake Oshiro

Subject: HB 3002 Relating to Prostitution

Dear Rep. Waters:

Last year the Board of the Honolulu Tower Association of Apartment Owners, voted unanimously to support HB 330, H.D. 1 and its concept relating to prostitution. This is a hot button issue in our community. This year's incarnation HB 3002 is important to us. We are a 396 unit residential

condominium located at the corner of Maunakea and Beretania Streets. For years, prostitutes have plied their wares 24/7 in our back yard, on Kukui Street, all the way from A'ala Street to the Pali Highway. This has gone on even though the area is in a Weed and Seed Zone and a Prostitution Free Zone. The police are doing what they can, but they need more tools. The community too has been proactive, especially since the murder of a pimp on Nu'uanu Street, between Beretania and Kukui Streets. Residents hold signs. The Citizens' Patrol walks the area. But it is not enough. We need House Bill 3002. Right now the prostitutes get a slap on the wrist and return to ply their wares. We need increased penalties. We need to get the prostitutes off our streets permanently. We need you to hold a hearing on this bill now and to pass it.

What may appear to the uninformed as several blocks of high rise buildings, is in reality a residential community of 6,000 people (Honolulu Tower, Kukui Tower, Maunakea Tower, and Kukui Plaza), of all income streams, from infants to nonagenarians. Every day our law abiding residents are accosted by prostitutes as they walk to Zippy's, Long's, Safeway, and Central Middle School. Yes, the impressionable Middle School students are also accosted. Couples and men walking their children are accosted. So are dog walkers.

The press routinely reports about the Kukui Street prostitutes. One Thursday evening last April, at 10:30 p.m., the Honolulu Police Department ran a sting operation, In one hour they arrested six johns ranging in age from 23 to 60 years, who live in various parts of O'ahu.

Please help us by supporting H.B. 3002 and passing it now.

Should you have any questions I can be reached at 531-4260.

Sincerely,

Lynne Matusow, President Honolulu Tower AOAO

Honolulu, HI 96817

Ideas to please picky eaters. Watch video on AOL Living. (http://living.aol.com/video/how-to-please-your-picky-eater/rachel-campos-duffy/2050827? NCID=aolcmp00300000002598)

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Dear Chair Waters.

For many years now prostitution has been a problem for Kukui Plaza and the surrounding community. In addition to prostitution, the criminal activities that follow it, such as increased violence and drug trafficking, pose an even greater concern. There is no doubt that prostitution and its related activities have been instrumental in making families throughout the community feel unsafe. We cannot forget that back in July of 2006 there was a shooting death of an individual steps away from our facility.

Over the years, Kukui Plaza has been vigilant in trying to combat this problem. The Association has increased exterior lighting and installed additional security cameras. Our security department completes special patrols of Kukui Street to report criminal activity. We also have a group of residents that perform a weekly citizen's patrol. Unfortunately, there is only so much that we as individual citizens can do.

Currently, those caught dealing in prostitution receive a petty misdemeanor along with a small fine. Often, these individuals are right back to performing the same activities within a few days. I have attached a copy of our security log for your review. The log provides a record of several months of phone calls our guards have made to the Honolulu Police Department in relation to prostitution. These are just the incidents our guards have noticed while on patrol or monitoring our cameras, the real amount of activity is much more. As you can see, even with the tremendous response we have received from HPD, the report shows that the problem is not going away.

It has come to my attention that a bill (HB3002) has been submitted in relation to prostitution by making a third and any subsequent conviction of a person paying for sex a Class C felony. I believe that providing tougher penalties may be the only solution we have left to combat this ongoing problem. In fact, in past meetings held with law enforcement officials they have stated that without having tougher penalties to back up their convictions there is little or nothing they can do towards eliminating or even decreasing prostitution.

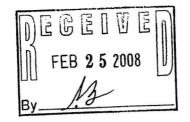
I would like to urge you and the fellow judiciary committee members to please hear and pass HB3002. The residents here at Kukui Plaza and throughout the downtown area deserve the same quality of life that those of us living outside the area take for granted. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Michael D. Lakey General Manager

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The Honorable Tommy Waters Chair, Judiciary Committee 415 South Beretania Street, Rm#302 Honolulu, Hawai`i 96813

Dear Chair Waters,

I am an employee at Kukui Plaza, and I would like to support HB3002 for several reasons; mainly because of the safety factor. In my position as Comptroller, I am often working long hours (sometime as late as 11pm). I want to be assured that I can walk across the street to Longs Drugs or Safeway Pali without being subjected to criminal activity - which could very well escalate to violence.

Down town China Town, especially Kukui Street, has seen its share of illegal activity; and it is with great hope that by passing bills such as HB3002, unwanted actions like prostitution, drug dealings, etc will become a thing of the past. Tougher penalties may not completely stop everything, but it will give our law enforcement officers the much needed tools to at least deter these crimes.

I appreciate you taking the time to consider my views on this bill, and I urge you to help resolve these issues that have been plaguing the residents and employees of Kukui Plaza for far too long.

Sincerely

Nicole Smythe

Comptroller '

The Honorable Tommy Waters Chair, Judiciary Committee 415 South Beretania Street, Room 302 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Support for HB3002

Dear Chair Waters.

I am head of the security department at Kukui Plaza and it is wonderful to hear that we are continuing the fight against prostitution. I want to extend my support of the bill (HB3002) which has been submitted in relation to the prostitution problem by making a third and any subsequent conviction of a person paying for sex a Class C felony. As an employee and a supervisor for the Association of Owners of Kukui Plaza, the state's largest condominium project, I assure you that prostitution has had an extremely negative impact on my place of employment.

Our establishment has worked very hard at following the suggestions that leaders in our community have given regarding these illegal activities, but only so much can be done without tougher penalties. The police have told our residents and management that existing laws only provide a slap on the wrist if and when offenders are convicted. Our security department feels a great deal of responsibility to continue our efforts to eradicate this activity. I will be including a history of all logs and calls made to authorities that our company has compiled in relation to the prostitution. Take the time to look over this so you can see how hard we work at keeping our employees and residents safe on a daily basis.

I am urging you and the fellow judiciary committee members to please hear and pass HB3002. As an employee, I should not have to witness prostitution on the streets surrounding my place of employment. More importantly, the families living here at Kukui Plaza should not have to either. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Lentes

Senior Security Supervisor - Association of Owners of Kukui Plaza

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Association of Owners of Kukui Plaza

SECURITY CONSOLE ACTIVITY REPORT - EWA / DH

Friday, February 22, 2008

Date	Time	Shift	Officer	Activity	Console
5/14	2007 10:50:25 PM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	EWA
U-10 REPORTE REGARDING IN	D (2) PROSTITUTES APPROPRIATE AC	S AND (2) . FIVITY. SC	JOHNS CURRENTLY AT NORTH KUKI JUAD CAR SENT	JI STREET SIDE. CONSOLE MADE CONTACT WITH POLICE	DE DEPARTMENT
5/15	2007 12:32:42 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
S-3 CONTACTE	D POLICE OF (3) PF	ROSTITUT	ES ON FOOT AT NORTH KUKUI STRE	EET. SQUAD CAR SENT.	
5/15	2007 1:50:39 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO ·	PROSTITUTION	DH
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5/18/	2007 1:46:11 AM	3	UB IOANE, JOHN	PROSTITUTION	EWA
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5/22/	2007 12:26:49 AM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	EWA
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5/22/	2007 1:46:00 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
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5/22/	2:01:00 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
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5/24/2007 2:17:43 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
U-8 REPORTED (4) PROSTITUTES OF	N KUKUI	STREET.S-3 CALLED HONOLULU PO	LICE DISPATCHER #106 REGARDING ACTIVITY, SQUAD	CAR SENT.
5/24/2007 2:26:46 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
U-8 REPORTED HONOLULU POLICE	IS ON KU	JKUI STREET ADDRESSING THIS PRO	OBLEM.	
5/29/2007 2:20:00 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
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5/29/2007 2:33:25 AM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	EWA
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5/29/2007 2:39:00 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
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5/29/2007 5:06:34 AM	3	U16 AMPON, RIC	PROSTITUTION	EWA
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6/2/2007 10:00:40 AM	3	S1 LENTES, RICH	PROSTITUTION	EWA .
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6/20/2007	/ 	L	UB IOANE, JOHN	PROSTITUTION	EWA
CONSOLE CALLED I	HPD REQUESTE	D BY S-3	ABOUT PROSTITUTION IN THE CON	ER OF KUKUI AND NUUANU AVE.	
6/26/2007	11:08:36 PM	3	U16 AMPON, RIC	PROSTITUTION	EWA
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6/27/2007	1:58:50 AM	3	U8 IOANE, JOHN	PROSTITUTION	EWA
S-3 CALLED HPD TO	REPORT PROS	STITUTIO	N ON THE CONER OF NUUANU AND I	KUKUI ST, SQUAD CAR SENT.	
6/27/2007	2:38:46 PM	2	U15 YOUNG, BILLY	PROSTITUTION	EWA
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6/28/2007	1:32:59 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
U-8 REPORTED A TO DEPARTMENT REGA			ONS ON NORTH KUKUI STREETSIDE	ECLOSE BY THE DRYGOOD STORECONSOLE S-3 NOTI	FIED HONOLULU POLICE
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U9 CALLED HPD FOR PROSTITUTION ACTIVITY.

7/12/2007

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HPD ON DHLZ WERE CALLING BY

Date

Shift Officer

U-8 REPORTED FEMALE ON PROPERTY BY S-6 STAIRWELL. WAS ESCORTED OFF PROPERTY.

S1 LENTES, RICH

U10 MORGAN, CHARLES

U7 GUARNEROS, JOSE

U8 IOANE, JOHN

TREND: FOR THE LAST TWO WEEKS PROSTITUTION HAS CONTINUED TO BE SPARATIC AT BEST ON BOTH DAY SHIFT AND NIGHT SHIFT.

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8/22/2007	2:43:00 AM	3	U16 AMPON, RIC	PROSTITUTION	DH
J-16 CALL HONOLUI	U POLICE FOR	PROSTI	TUTION ACTIVITY ON SOUTH AND NO	ORTH KUKUI STREET,TALKED WITH DISPATCH NUMBER	109.
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8/25/2007	11:13:45 PM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	DH
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9/7/2007	10:13:10 PM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	DH
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9/21/2007	2:50:47 AM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	DH
6-3 CALLED AND RE	PORTED THREE	E FEMALI	ES AND I MALE LOITERING IN THE AF	REA OF KUKUI AND FORT STREET. STANDING BY FOR H	PD UNIT.
10/5/2007	9:18:49 PM	2	U5 TIATIA, PESA	PROSTITUTION	DH
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10/8/2007	2:06:13 AM	3	U16 AMPON, RIC	PROSTITUTION	EWA
S-3 CONTACTED 911	HONOLULU PO	DLICE DE	PARTMENT FOR SOUTH,AND NORTH	KUKUI STREET PROSTITUTION THE DISPATCH NUMBE	R IS #70
10/8/2007	2:16:16 AM	3	U16 AMPON, RIC	PROSTITUTION	EWA
S-3 OFFICERS ON PF	ROPERTY AT N	ORTH,AN	ID SOUTH KUKUI STREET,AND THE C	FFICER BADGED# IS 2659	
10/10/2007	9:15:58 PM	2	U11 LAMBERT, KAOLANA	PROSTITUTION	DH
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10/13/2007	4:49:40 PM	2	U8 IOANE, JOHN	PROSTITUTION	EWA
S-2 REPORTED THAT	HE CALLED H	PD ABOL	JT PROSTITUTION ON KUKUI STREET	CALLED HPD AND MADE A REPORT.	
10/16/2007	1:44:02 AM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	EWA
S-3 REPORTED HPD	UNIT PARKED	N P-2 EX	IT DRIVEWAY MONITORING ACTIVITY	ACROSS THE STREET.	
10/16/2007	4:07:27 AM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	DH
RESIDENT E	CALLED H	PD VIA LI	NE #7, TO COMPLAIN OF NOISE COM	ING FROM FORT STREET INDIVIDUALS.	
10/22/2007	3:27:43 AM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	EWA
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10/23/2007	3:30:08 PM	2	S2 DOLOR, RICHARD	PROSTITUTION	EWA
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10/24/2007	5:28:00 AM	3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	EWA
S3 CONTACT HONO	LULU POLICE D	EPARTM	ENT REGARDING ACTIVITY AT NORT	H KUKUI STREET. TALKED WITH OPERATOR # 103	
10/24/2007	8:08:00 PM	2	S2 DOLOR, RICHARD	PROSTITUTION	EWA
CECELIA OF CITIZE	N PATROL CALL	ED CONS	SOLE AND REPORTS OF PROSTITUTE	E ON THE CORNER OF KUKUI AND FORT ST., CONSOLE	CALLED HPD.
10/26/2007	1:48:48 AM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	DH
CONSOLE CALLED H	HPD OPERATOR	R #117, RE	PORTING FEMALES AND 1 MALE ON	THE CORNER OF NUUANU AND KUKUI SOLICITING. (VI	A CAMERA #10)
10/26/2007	11:17:31 PM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	DH
CONSOLE DID VISUA	AL CHECK OF K	UKUI STF	REET. NO ACTIVITY TO REPORT.		
10/27/2007	11:32:53 PM	3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	DH
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1	U7 GUARNEROS, JOSE	PROSTITUTION	DH
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3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
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3	U10 MORGAN, CHARLES	PROSTITUTION	[EWA]
NG ON KI	UKUI AND FORT STREET. HPD WAS C	CALLED AND NOTIFIED. OPERATOR #87	
3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH .
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3	S3 KAPUY, FRANCISCO	PROSTITUTION	DH
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The Honorable Tommy Waters Chair, Judiciary Committee 415 South Beretania Street, Room 302 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Support for HB3002

Dear Chair Waters,

I am security supervisor at Kukui Plaza and it is wonderful to hear that we are continuing the fight against prostitution. I want to extend my support of the bill (HB3002) which has been submitted in relation to the prostitution problem by making a third and any subsequent conviction of a person paying for sex a Class C felony. As an employee and a supervisor for the Association of Owners of Kukui Plaza, the state's largest condominium project, I assure you that prostitution has had an extremely negative impact on my place of employment.

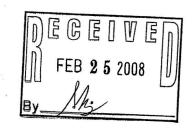
Our establishment has worked very hard at following the suggestions that leaders in our community have given regarding these illegal activities, but only so much can be done without tougher penalties. The police have told our residents and management that existing laws only provide a slap on the wrist if and when offenders are convicted. Our security department feels a great deal of responsibility to continue our efforts to eradicate this activity. I will be including a history of all logs and calls made to authorities that our company has compiled in relation to the prostitution. Take the time to look over this so you can see how hard we work at keeping our employees and residents safe on a daily basis.

I am urging you and the fellow judiciary committee members to please hear and pass HB3002. As an employee, I should not have to witness prostitution on the streets surrounding my place of employment. More importantly, the families living here at Kukui Plaza should not have to either. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard G Dolor

Security Supervisor – Association of Owners of Kukui Plaza



The Honorable Tommy Waters Chair, Judiciary Committee 415 South Beretania Street, Room 302 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Support for HB3002

Dear Chair Waters,

I am an employee of Kukui Plaza and I wanted to take this opportunity to express my concerns for the safety of my co-workers as well as myself. Although I haven't been employed with Kukui Plaza for very long, I am well aware of the ongoing issues with prostitution in this area. It is a serious concern as these sorts of activities can potentially endanger my co-workers, residents and myself. I feel there is no immediate solution to completely end the prostitution problem in Hawaii, but I feel that HB3002 will help us move in the right direction. Thank you for letting me voice my concerns and for your time.

Sincerely,

Kellie Wilks

Personnel Administrator

Kukui Plaza

P.O. Box 1031 Honolulu, HI 96808-1031

February 23, 2008

The Honorable Tommy Waters Chair, Judiciary Committee 415 S. Beretania Street, Rm 302 Honolulu, HI 96813

FAX NO: 586-9456

Dear Representative Waters:

I have lived in Downtown for over thirty years and have worked in Downtown for almost forty years. Over the years I have seen many changes in Downtown both good and bad. The problems with prostitution and drugs are a major problem for all of us who work and/or live in Downtown. The Police are doing everything they can within the law. We need your help.

Prostitution is not a victimless crime. We are all victims of it. For all of us who have to walk in Downtown going to Pali Longs and Safeway we walk past a gauntlet of men cruising for women. I am 63 years old and been approached by men asking if I want a ride, want a date, and telling me that they have money. I know women who do not feel safe on Kukui Street. Children walk on Kukui Street to go to school. This is our community and we should feel safe in our community.

The majority of the prostitutes on Kukui Street are mainland girls and from what we understand they are put on Kukui Street when they can't be in Waikiki. I am enclosing a Honolulu Star-Bulletin article dated 7/31/06 about men running groups of prostitutes. Please support Bill HB 3002 and make our community a safer place to work and live.

Mahalo for your support to make our community safe.

Sincerely yours,

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cc Representative Rhoads

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Prostitution bust involves isles

An Chicago-area man allegedly brought his prostitutes to cities including Honolulu

Associated Press

CHICAGO >> A Chicago-area man has been charged with running a group of prostitutes, including underage teenage girls, who walked the streets of Hollywood, Honolulu and other cities, authorities say.

"So what? Some of my best girls were minors," Jody L. Spears, about 35, whose last known address was in suburban Schaumburg, was quoted as saying in an FBI affidavit prosecutors filed in U.S. District Court.

Spears was arrested July 14 in a suburb outside Cleveland

as part of an ongoing federal investigation federal officials have dubbed "Innocence Lost." It focuses on an interstate prostitution ring allegedly headed by a pimp who went under the nickname Blue Diamond.

Others accused of being part of the ring have been charged in Hawaii and Michigan as well as Chicago.

In December, four Detroit men were charged in connection with the scheme — one of four nationwide prostitution rings being investigated under a federal program that targets human traffickers and promoters of child prostitution in the United States on an unrelated theft charge.

At least two underage girls from Hawaii who were recruited for the prostitution ring are cooperating with authorities.

The 25-page affidavit was unsealed Tuesday when Spears made a court appearance before U.S. Magistrate Judge Maria Valdez.

According to the affidavit, one young woman told agents she and Spears lived for a year in an apartment in Chicago's Marina City owned by downtown dentist Gary S. Kimmel and received dental services from him.

Kimmel is facing federal charges that he accepted \$405,000 from two pimps to buy, finance, insure and main-

tain luxury autos, including a Corvette and a Mercedes-Benz. He has pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Various women were quoted in the affidavit as saying that Spears took them to New York, Las Vegas, Honolulu and other cities to work as prostitutes. One woman said Spears sent her to Los Angeles and told her to get a room in Hollywood and "work on Sunset Boulevard" to earn money.

She did — and landed in jail for two weeks, the affidavit said.

The female witnesses quoted in the affidavit — who were not identified by name — said Spears sometimes had them walk seedy "prostitution tracks" where patrons always

knew they would be able to make contact.

One said Spears was upset when she came back from Memphis, Tenn., without enough money because her feet had hurt and she could not walk the track.

Women said they started working for Spears when they were 16 and 17 years old, and one girl told of starting out as a prostitute at age 14 and working for an associate of Spears when she was 15.

Officials said that the maximum for recruiting and transporting underage girls for prostitution under federal law is life in prison.

Star-Bulletin reporter
Debra Barayuga contributed
to this story.

The Honorable Tommy Waters Chair, Judiciary Committee 415 South Beretania Street, Room 302 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Support for HB3002

Dear Chair Waters,

I am a resident living at Kukui Plaza. For many years prostitution has been a problem for our complex. In addition to prostitution, the criminal activities that follow it, such as increased violence and drug trafficking, pose an even greater concern. There is no doubt that prostitution and its related activities have been instrumental in making families throughout the community feel unsafe. We cannot forget that back in July of 2006 there was a shooting death of an individual steps away from our facility.

Over the years, our Association has played a major role in trying to combat this problem. Management has increased exterior lighting and installed additional security cameras. Our security department completes special patrols of Kukui Street to report criminal activity. We also have a group of residents that perform a weekly citizen's patrol. Unfortunately, there is only so much that we as individual citizens can do.

It has come to my attention that a bill (HB3002) has been submitted in relation to prostitution by making a third and any subsequent conviction of a person paying for sex a Class C felony. I believe that providing tougher penalties may be the only solution we have left to combat this ongoing problem. In fact, in past meetings held with law enforcement officials they have stated that without having tougher penalties to back up their convictions there is little or nothing they can do towards eliminating or even decreasing prostitution.

I would like to urge you and the fellow judiciary committee members to please hear and pass HB3002. The residents here at Kukui Plaza and throughout the downtown area deserve the same quality of life that citizens living outside the area take for granted. Thank you for your time and consideration.

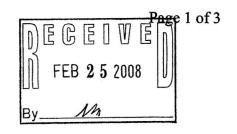
Sincerely,

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Taking Back our Neighborhood How one Downtown condominium is fighting back against crime By Lucy Jokiel



PHOTOGROPHY BY CORY LUN

"People live longer and healthier lives if they eat well, exercise and live in neighborhoods free from crime and prostitution." Joe Flower, health care analyst.

After a young man was recently murdered during a turf war over prostitution, Chinatown residents said enough is enough. "We were lucky nobody else was shot because there were a lot of dog-walkers on the street," says Lynne Matsuow, a member of the Chinatown Neighborhood Board. "It made people realize the problem was even worse than we thought. It galvanized our community like never before."

The night of the shooting, many Kukui Plaza residents were awakened by gun shots on Kukui Street. "The shooting was a platform that brought the Related problem to light and showed what we were already doing to fight prostitution," says Alden H.K. Kamaunu II, general manager of the condo.

Tips on Taking Back Your Neighborhood

A week after the shooting, Kamaunu took a video from the garden deck of the building that captured about 15 prostitutes continuing to ply their trade on Kukui Street. "That was shocking and disturbing," he says. In an emergency meeting with his employees, Kamaunu promised to organize a "Take Back Our Street" demonstration. "What if they had gotten caught in the crossfire? To help them get over the fear, we had to show that we were willing to take action."

Kamaunu quickly formed a crime committee and tapped the Kukui Plaza Condo Association for \$500 to distribute T-shirts and pamphlets to residents, encouraging them to join the Lokahi Group. (Lokahi means unity, agreement, harmony.) Kukui Plaza chose that word as its mission statement when it was built more than 30 years ago. "It symbolizes community members working together toward our common goal to get rid of prostitution," Kamaunu explains.

Many of the more than 5,000 people who live, work or pass through Kukui Plaza every day have been fighting a decade-long battle against prostitutes working Kukui Street from the early mornings into the evenings. "When I was first employed here 14 years ago, we had the drugged-out, local prostitutes," says Kamaunu. "Now we have the higher-end, sophisticated prostitutes and their pimps from the Mainland who know there's a lot of money to be made on this street."

Prostitution as "the oldest profession" has been a part of life in Downtown Honolulu for many years. It was known as ho'okamakama to seamen stopping off in the Hawaiian Kingdom. After converting to Christianity, Queen Ka'ahumanu sought to end the practice. During World War II, crime rates surged in Chinatown, a popular hangout for rowdy sailors, and filled with sex

shops and seedy bars. Although prostitution diminished in the area after the war, drugs, crime and homelessness flourished.

Kamaunu has a tough battle ahead. Downtown is one of the heaviest crime areas on O'ahu, and prostitution arrests in Chinatown have nearly doubled in the last year. Some blame it on a migration of prostitutes from Waikîkî after a Prostitution-Free Zone was established in the area in 1999.

Taking action

"People have become prisoners in their own apartments," says Dolores Mollring, 72, one of the first to buy a unit at Kukui Plaza and an original member of the building's Neighborhood Citizen's Patrol that volunteers to walk the Chinatown area every week to report incidents and problems to the police.

The patrol was founded about 12 years ago by Janice Horita, who is 84, "to encourage young people to do community service." She won a lottery to buy an apartment in Kukui Plaza before it was completed by Honolulu Mayor Frank Fasi in 1976 to provide affordable housing and rejuvenate the Downtown business district. Since retiring as manager of H.R. Kress 18 years ago, she and other patrol members have taken their civic responsibilities seriously.

On a recent patrol, a dozen volunteers marched into the Chinatown Police Substation to check on the status of broken video cameras. The cameras had been installed in the area in 1998 to monitor criminal activity. Mollring was delighted to find out the cameras had been fixed. "It pays to complain," she says. "We don't sit on our butts and wait for politicians to solve our problems."

Karl Rhoads, a member of the Neighborhood Citizen's Patrol and the Neighborhood Board for a decade, says he hears complaints about prostitution all the time. "We have done all we can as a voluntary board with no real authority," says Rhoads, a newly elected state legislator. "What more can Kukui Plaza residents do? We need to change the reputation of Kukui Street by getting the police to pay more attention to the problem. With more stings, the trade would be disrupted."

Developing their own plan

Kukui Plaza is the largest condo complex in the state, a city within a city. Its two towers encompass more than 900 apartment units and are separated by a 2.6-acre park built above a 2,000-stall parking garage. Residents include a mix of working professionals, longtime residents, Asian immigrants, and Hawai'i Pacific University students.

Over the years, Kamaunu has worked with Kukui Plaza's Neighborhood Citizen's Patrol to get police and politicians more involved in combating prostitution. Supported by the condo association and its board, Kukui Plaza has installed cameras and worked with the Hawaiian Electric Company to install high-powered lights in the parking garage and on the corner. "We did our part, and crime went down," he says. "But it always came back."

At many of the recent town meetings organized by government representatives, Kamaunu left feeling frustrated over repeatedly being told that it's up to the community to take action. He wondered, "Didn't you guys see us on the news with our demonstrations? What else can we do without being vigilantes?" Sometimes, things get lost with all the politicians, he says. "Right now, we are the only key players."

"What more can Kukui Plaza residents be expected to do?" Rhoads asks. "As someone who has walked the Citizen's Patrol for 10 years, I resent being told the community needs to do more. We can only volunteer so many hours of our time."

For awhile, Kamaunu became discouraged by the politics surrounding town meetings with so-called experts. He says, "Why couldn't they come to us with an action plan to get the police and others to help us?" But then he had a moment of clarity. "Instead of giving up, I decided to channel the negative energy into developing our **own** long-term strategic plan."

It dawned on Kamaunu that he needed to learn more about the confusing prostitution laws and the tools already in place at the Attorney General's Office and the U.S. Attorney's Office to make the area safer. "Of course, we want prostitution out of Kukui Street right away, but our long-term objective is to stop it from spreading to other communities," he says. "I actually live in Kailua, but I grew up working at Kukui Plaza. It's my 'ohana. We want to be the example for the rest of Downtown."

One block at a time

With renewed energy, Kamaunu called a meeting of his staff. "Here's our new motto – fighting crime one block at a time," he told them. "I realized that was what it would take. There are Weed & Seed and Prostitute-Free Zones in Chinatown, but when you boil it all down, it comes down to one block."

Kamaunu has compiled a thick notebook filled with information about state laws, statutes and county ordinances referring to prostitution so he can study them and then push to have them enforced. He was shocked to discover that the City Council didn't know that Kukui Street had already been designated as a Prostitution-Free Zone in 2000. "We are taking what we did 10 years ago, fine-tuning and expanding it, and then making it more of an administrative effort than just a bunch of people going on a citizen's walk every week."

Downtown is a major hub, with thousands of people coming and going into the Kukui Plaza community, says Kamaunu. "We want to show people that we care about our neighborhood. If we all band together, we have a lot of resources. What we do here could have a major impact on O'ahu and the Neighbor Islands. If we become educated and work together, we can effect change. I want Kukui Plaza to be the first to drop a pebble in the water and make it grow."

The 35-year-old Kamaunu, who is Hawaiian and was born and raised here, says he was convinced all his efforts are worthwhile when his two young children became excited about seeing him interviewed on the TV news after the demonstration on Kukui Street. "It gave me joy that my kids saw me doing good," he says. "I want to instill in them that you can have a positive impact on your community."

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Tips on Taking Back Your Neighborhood

The **Neighborhood Watch Program** is a highly successful effort that has been in existence for more than 30 years in cities and counties across America. It provides a unique infrastructure that brings together local officials, law enforcement and citizens to protect our communities.

They understand that the active participation of neighborhood residents is a critical element in community safety -- not through vigilantism, but simply through a willingness to look out for suspicious activity in their neighborhood, and report that activity to law enforcement and to each other. In doing so, residents take a major step toward reclaiming high-crime neighborhoods, as well as making people throughout a community feel more secure and less fearful.

To start a Neighborhood Security Watch program, call the Honolulu Police Department's Resources Section at (808) 529-3351, or visit their web site.

Taking Back our Neighborhood

The Sacramento County Sheriff's Department suggests citizens use these tactics to help make your neighborhood safe from drugs and violence:

- Ask police for help in forming a citizen patrol that walks the neighborhood, intimidating drug dealers by writing down license plate numbers and descriptions of suspected dealers. Videotape or photograph illegal activities. Pass information on to law enforcement. Wear a "uniform" -- a brightly colored cap or special T-shirt.
- Use a bullhorn or loudspeaker to broadcast "Drug dealers on the block. Police are being notified."
- Demonstrate against landlords who rent property to drug dealers.
- Publicize your dissatisfaction with businesses, including restaurants and bars that ignore drug dealing. Do the same to stores that sell drug paraphernalia -- such as marijuana pipes or rolling papers.
- Organize neighborhood clean-up campaigns to sweep litter and drug paraphernalia off the streets, clean off or paint over graffiti, plant flowers and trees, and repair broken playground equipment.
- Make young people part of your neighborhood improvement team. Find other creative, constructive activities for youth, especially teens.
- Put up large, colorful banners or signs that warn drug dealers that residents are watching for crime and reporting it to the police.
- March or organize a vigil to demonstrate your community's will to drive out drug dealers and other criminals.
- Make sure the newspapers and television cover this good news -- show the world that g

neighbors and police care and are taking action!

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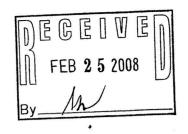
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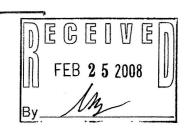
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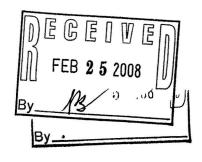
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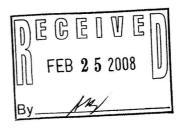
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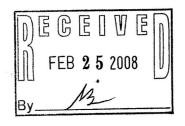
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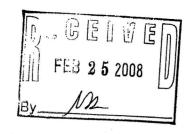
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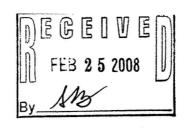
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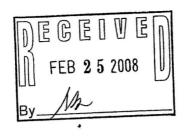
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