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January 28, 2008

Representative Bob Herkes, Chair,
Representative Angus McKelvey, Vice-Chair
Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee
c/o House CPC Vice Chair
State Capitol
Honolulu, HI 96813

VIA FAX - 586-6161

Re: H.B. No. 656 – Relating to Planned community Associations Hearing: Wednesday, January 30, 2008; 2:10PM, Conf Room 325

Dear Representatives Herkes and McKelvey and Committee Members:

My name is Eric Matsumoto, the immediate Past President of the Mililani Town Association. While I continue to serve on the board, I'm submitting testimony on my own behalf given the 20 plus years as its President, and as a Past President of the CAI Hawaii Chapter.

I am in favor of this bill's intent to have both parties to a transfer of ownership to be responsible for "...all delinquent assessments ... and share of the common and other expenses due...against the ...." The situation being addressed has long been an ongoing problem, especially for the receiver, in many instances being forced to cover the delinquency amounts.

Accordingly, I strongly support passage of this bill.

Sincerely yours,

Eric M. Matsumoto

Cc: Representative Yamane Representative Lee Senator Menor Senator Bunda

## Princeville at Hanalei Community Association P.O. Box 223277 Princeville, Hawaii 96722

January 31, 2008

Honorable Chair Representative Robert N. Herkes and Members of the Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96817



Re. HB 656 – Relating to Planned Community Associations Hearing, February 6, 2008.

Dear Representative Herkes and Members of the Committee:

My name is Rohit J. Mehta and I am testifying on behalf of the Princeville at Hanalei Community Association ("PHCA"), a planned community association under Chapter 421J, Hawai'i Revised Statutes. I am the General Manager of PHCA. PHCA is **in support** to the adoption of HB 656.

HB 656 will greatly facilitate our collection of assessments. It would make clear who is responsible for payment of assessments when the title of a property changes hands, thus avoiding potentially lengthy and costly litigation.

PHCA is one of the largest planned community associations in the State of Hawaii, with over 2,200 members. It is a resort community and its members include some 770 single-family homes, a hotel, 33 condominium or timeshare properties with a total of some 1,900 condominium apartments with more units that will be completed within the next few years.

Again, we are **in support** of HB 656. Thank you for your consideration with this testimony.

PRINCEVILLE AT HANALEI COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Dr. Rohit J. Mehta, General Manager

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