Representative Cindy Evans Public Safety and Military Affairs

Nohealani Mahelona Nanakuli Resident

3/20/08 at 9:00

"Strong Support" HR 97 & HCR 117

Aloha Chair and members of the committee:

My name is Nohealani Mahelona, I'm here testifying in Full Support of HR: 97 & HCR: 117 relating to REQUESTING THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF ALLOWING THE FACILITIES AT LUALUALEI, WHICH ARE OWNED BY THE UNITED STATES NAVY, TO BE USED AS AN EMERGENCY SHELTER FOR CIVILIANS.

LATE TESTIMONY

I am in strong support of this bill, their is about 60,000 people in Nanakuli and most of us live in a flood zone so if there is a natural disaster "GOD FORBID" everybody would be under water and we cannot fit all these people in Nanakuli High School and Nanakuli Elementary that would be the only place we could go. So please past this measure and think about if you lived in our community I'm sure you would want this to be past.

Our community has many needs and challenges. The bill identifies the concerns and solutions in addressing the barriers to assuring we have a healthier and safer community for our future generations.

Thank you for allowing me this time to submit my testimony and request your favor to support this measure. For more information I can be contacted at 389-0121.

Mahalo,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Monday, March 20, 2008 9:30 a.m.

State Capitol, Conference Room 309

in consideration of

HCR 114 / HR 97

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Chair Evans and Members of the House Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs

I am Lautoa F. Atisanoe JR. Project Coordinator for Department of Human Services. I am in strong Support HCR 114/HR 97. I am a concerned citizen of the Leeward coast. If a Tsunami was to hit the Waianae coast like the one of Indonesia, our schools and our homes would not sustain a natural disaster. As you have witnessed, when we had a tropical storm hit the Leeward Coast this past winter, we as a state was not prepared. Farrington Hwy was close. The people living on the Waianae Coast are isolated. Nanaikapono Elementary, Maili Elementary and Kawaihono charter school is in a flood zone. A high school and an elementary are not ideal for 60,000 citizens if an emergency was to hit.

Lualualei would be ideal because of 3 entries into Lualualei. Also you can use Kolekole Pass as an alternate route out of the Leeward Coast. Lualualei is located in the back of the valley and the facilities on the base are ideal for the entire Waianae Coast.

The issue has to be addressed now, especially with the problems that we are facing apput calculated and guidelines from Department of Civil Defense it would only prepare us for the future.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to testify on HCR 104 / HR 86.