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February 4, 2008

The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair  
and Members  
Committee on Intergovernmental and  
Military Affairs  
State Senate  
State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Inouye and Members:

Subject: Senate Bill No. 1965, Relating to Fireworks

I am Captain Mitchell Kiyuna of District 8 (Kapolei) of the Honolulu Police Department, City and County of Honolulu.

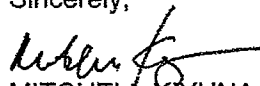
The Honolulu Police Department supports Senate Bill No. 1965, Relating to Fireworks. This bill would ban consumer fireworks except for religious and cultural purposes.

The Honolulu Police Department, Honolulu Fire Department, and Honolulu Emergency Services Department respond to numerous calls for service involving fireworks-related incidents. These calls for service put a tremendous strain on the resources of all emergency service providers. Injuries or death due to fireworks-related incidents are a concern along with the hazards they present to individuals with respiratory problems. The use of fireworks also presents a problem with brushfires along the Leeward Coast and other areas with dry vegetation.

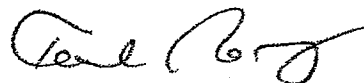
We urge your support in passing Senate Bill No. 1965.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

  
MITCHELL KIYUNA, Captain  
District 8

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For: BOISSE P. CORREA  
Chief of Police

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