



**TESTIMONY OF THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL
TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2008**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

S.B. NO. 2347, RELATING TO SENIOR CENTERS.

BEFORE THE:

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND PUBLIC HOUSING

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 **TIME:** 1:30 PM

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 016
Deliver to: Committee Clerk, Room 226, 1 copy

TESTIFIER(S): Mark J. Bennett, Attorney General
or Andrea J. Armitage, Deputy Attorney General

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Chair Chun Oakland and Members of the Committee:

The Attorney General takes no position on the intent of this bill; however, there are legal flaws that will need to be corrected if it is to accomplish its intended purpose.

This measure seeks to give grants to four senior centers pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). Two changes are necessary to effectuate this purpose.

1. The definition of the term "grant" in section 42F-1, HRS, requires that the Legislature specify the organization to which the grant will be awarded. The bill must state the correct legal names of the entities to which the grants are to be awarded, not the name under which they may be doing business. For example, our research indicates that the Lanikila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is not an incorporated entity capable of entering into contracts in its own name, but instead, is operated by Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is a legal entity. The bill should specify that the grant be awarded to Catholic Charities Hawaii for the operation of the Lanikila Multi-Purpose Senior Center. Kapahulu Center, Moiliili Community Center, and Waikiki Community Center appear to be the correct, legally registered names of those entities.

2. Further, as a practical matter, the bill must specify the amount to be awarded to each recipient. This information is necessary for the expending agency to be able to properly contract with the recipients pursuant to section 42F-104, HRS. As the bill is currently drafted, it appears that the four organizations will have to split a total amount, and there is no indication of how that amount is to be divided.

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR



LILLIAN B. KOLLER, ESQ.
DIRECTOR

HENRY OLIVA
DEPUTY DIRECTOR

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
P. O. Box 339
Honolulu, Hawaii 96809

LATE TESTIMONY

January 29, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senate Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Lillian B. Koller, Director

SUBJECT: S.B. 2347, RELATING TO SENIOR CENTERS

Hearing: Tuesday, January 29, 2008, 1:30 p.m.
Conference Room 016, State Capitol

PURPOSE: The purpose of S.B. 2347 is to appropriate funding for the operations of certain senior centers on Oahu that shall be expended by the Department of Human Services.

DEPARTMENT'S POSITION: While the Department of Human Services appreciates the intent of this bill to appropriate funding for senior centers that will provide our Kupuna with meaningful activities in support of a healthier lifestyle, the Department's opinion that the appropriation of these funds would be more effectively administered by the Executive Office on Aging (EOA) administratively attached to the Department of Health (DOH). After conferring with DOH, it is clear that the intent of this bill is consistent with Executive Office on Aging's goal to allow our Kupuna to remain active, healthy, and socially engaged in order to prevent premature disability and institutionalization.

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If the Legislature determines that the appropriation of funds to senior centers is warranted, the Department further recommends that the administration and execution of those funds shall not adversely impact the Executive Supplemental Budget.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 85 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I participated and came to Lanakila Senior center - It was right after I made 65 yrs - I started with Okinawan dancing and joined the Okinawan club after that. Please support the Lanakila Multi Purpose Senior Center. With all the activities - Exercises various clubs & speakers - Our friends functions for the best, make friendships that last, make every day a better day, knowing that Lanakila Multi Purpose Senior Center is there for us.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

*Stay at home ALONE. MY HUSBAND PASSE^dAWAY,
MORE MAKU^{LE} - MORE PUPU^{LE}. (SO THEY SAY)*

LANAKILA NO KA^{OE}

ALOHA

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Yoshiko Ishikawa

Address: 2417 Wilson St

Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 80 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I love coming to Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center because I have my meals on wheels, participate in the Portuguese, Hawaiian, Okinawa and Chinese Clubs there.

Also, the speakers (guest) that comes, have benefited me in keeping my health, being aware of up coming events and most of them are very interesting and educational.

Coming there, I don't have time to be depressed, self pity but, happy and I do look forward coming there!
If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: feel lost,

lonely, depressed and sickly, with no friends to talk to, no hula, exercise, no laughter just empty loneliness, nothing to look forward to.

With Lanakila Multi-Purpose, I AM a happy person and do look forward going there to learn a lot of things and most of - I AM a HAPPY HUMAN.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Lurline K Kim

Address: 2665 Kalihi Street

Hon. Hi.

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I'm in stretch & tone class on Tues & Friday - 8-9 AM
I enjoy it very much. On Tues - 9-11 AM help
serve meals on wheel for seniors
On Mon. I'm with Japanese Club - 9-11 AM
On Thurs. Okinawan Club 9-11 AM we have good
programs I'm very grateful to be here
at Lanakila Center that keep me alert
and happy all the time

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: Be Very
Sad and lonely Seniors etc -
that shows why the Center is very
important to all of us -

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Betty F. Chidew

Address: 2478 Kaloa Pl.

Hon Hi 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

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I am 81 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Japanese Cultural Club
Okinawa Nenchosha (Elderly) Cultural Club
Japanese Bible Study Group
Karaoke Class
Various special classes and presentation on
informative topics and issues, i.e., health, safety,
housing, abuse, etc.
Excursions to points of interest; educational
visiting other senior care homes

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: have to forego
all the above activities but most of all the fellowship
and comradeship built up over the years as a participant
of Lanakila Senior Center. All this will be lost to many of us
which will in turn make us lose interest in social skills and
interaction with our peers.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Nancy R. Matsumaga

Address: 918 Lanalilo St., #518

Honolulu, HI 96822

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 90 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I am enrolled in the "Beginners' Stretch" and the "Line Dance" classes. After attending these classes, I feel as though my body has flexibility when doing my house chores. These exercises also help me in balancing myself - thus eliminating me from using a walking cane. I am also in the "Japanese Cultural Club" and the "Okinawan Nenchosha Club." Here, I am learning to socialize and am learning numerous things and activities which I have never heard of. If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: be a burden to my family today. Last week we learned about pedestrian safety.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Nobue Akashi

Address: 2029 Nuuanu Avenue # 509

Honolulu, HI 01017

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 86 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Okinauan Club

I just enjoy and really look forward to
coming every Thursday, meeting our friends and
exchange our every day stories. Just seeing them
makes me feel happy and I go home very refreshed
and feel young. We learn about Pedestrian Safety.
How to find a person when we have storms otherwise
being be prepared.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: be at home
with no company. ~~be at home~~

I have been coming to Lanakila for about 15 yrs -
As I grow older I'm just enjoying the entertainments
They are very entertaining and we go home very
happy -

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Kamie Miyashiro

Address: 1727 Kahana St

Honolulu HI 96819-4034

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

OKINAWAN DANCE CLUB. PLAN TO JOIN THE EREA CLASS.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: NOT BE ABLE TO ENJOY THE MANY ACTIVITIES, ENTERTAINMENT, CAMERADERIE, INFORMATIVE HEALTH AND SAFETY FACTS, ETC. THINGS LIKE SOC. SECURITY UPDATES, CARE HOME FACTS, TAXES, GOVERNMENT DINES, MOST IMPORTANTLY, I'D PROBABLY BE VEGETATING AT HOME WATCHING T.V. AND NOT USING MY MIND. I'M PLANNING TO TAKE UKULELE CLASSES SOON. WOULD LIKE TO ENROLL IN THE JAPANESE SPEAKING CLASS. WITHOUT LANAKILA MY WIFE AND I ~~WOULD~~ WOULD LOSE AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR LIVES.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: RICHARD AKAKICHI

Address: 2668 ROOKE AVE.

Hon. HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I am in the Lanakila Okinawa club & I keep our mind alert, teach us keep us healthy & ~~to~~ to keep me going. I also take up beginning exercises & other activities.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: *lonely as I don't have many relatives to keep me company. When we get to me friends & widen our knowledge as they have lots of speakers to ~~encourage~~ encourage us in many ways as to be more satisfied in crossing street & be safe & other such as that.*

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Kay Idiguchi

Address: 2163-B Pauoa Rd.

11-1-11 9612

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

*This Okinawa club have a lot I can learn.
We have exercise program + all kind of things that
we learn here. Also be careful of crossing the
street + many interesting things we sure know.*

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: *I would have
no where to go + enjoy meeting a lots of friends*

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Betty H. Cesato

Address: 1541 Kalakaua Ave. # 1710

Honolulu HI 96826

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Okinauwa Nanchaska Club meetings every
Thursday is an important part of my week.
It helps me learn about my culture and
meet new friends. The many special occasions
celebrated during the year make it interesting
and enjoyable. Beginning each meeting with pledge to
the flag, exercises & singing "God Bless America" sets the tone
for each meeting when a special program is presented.
The many programs include pedestrian safety, healthy lifestyles,
diets, and other helpful information for seniors.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: not

learn about my culture and make the new
friends I have made in the brief time
I have been a member.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Irene Yamashita

Address: 41 Laina Rd.

Honolulu HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I come to Lanakila 3 times a week. I Really enjoy coming to Lanakila. I've learned lots of interesting things and educational things. I've learned what to do in case of Hurricane, and to be careful of traffic.

Thank you

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: *not know what to do every day. I won't be able to go to my doctors. I really enjoy my friends and socializing.*

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Helen Niata

Address: 3016 Kumanana Rd

Hon. Hi 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I like to come to Lanakila center because ~~we~~ I enjoy the exercise & keep up my mind bright & healthy. We learn how to cross the road. I learn at the center, we also learn about the hurricane, & things ~~that~~ what to do. I learn how to sing at the center.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: Know what to do. We have no place to go & my mind will be gone

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Yoshiko Arakaki
Address: 1209 - Kokea St. F103
Hon. HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I come to the center and met lot of friends,
I learn safety, also about hurricane and we
laugh, so thank you very much

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

Just stay home and do nothing.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Doris H. Toyama

Address:

1129 Kokea St.

Hon. HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

OKINAWAN AND JAPANESE CLUB KEEP ME FEELING
YOUNG - JOINING THE VARIOUS FUNCTIONS AND
TOGETHER WITH OTHER SENIORS KEEP ME ACTIVE

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: PROBABLY
END UP IN A CARE HOME OR HOSPITALIZED

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: James Yemura

Address: 1608 PERRY ST.
HON. HI 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

*I learn a lot from the interesting
guest speakers & enjoy the
great entertainments.*

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: *miss
all the wonderful friends I met here
& also the clubs I joined.
Where else can a senior citizen go
that offers so much to do.*

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Mary Jones
Address: 2001 Aupuni St #302
Hon. 96817

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

My participation at Lanakila is 32 years from 1976.
Member of Okinawa Culture Club
Volunteer at Membership Sign-up Desk.
Learn Okinawa Dances

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would:

I'll be lost because I don't have
no place to spend my time.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Diane Nakamura

Address: 94-223 Pupekoae St.

Honolulu, HI 96811

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
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FROM: _____
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I came to Lanakila from 1982.
Member of Lanakila Nenchoha
club (Okinaha club)
Took English language classes

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

Stuck at Home. No place to
go.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

O Lome Atta

Address:

2649 Varsity Pl. #103
Honolulu, HI 96826

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Stretch Tone Glass on Tues - Fri
Meals on Wheel on Tues 9-11
OKinamon Club - we have special speaker
We learn about being Safety on
cross walk =

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: be lost &
lonely & be senile and ~~keep~~ slow
down in health
So we really have to come to
Lanakila Center to enjoy

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Patsy Arakaki

Address: 2428 Lakeloa Pl.

Hon HI 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

for fellowship and learning
learn other cultures

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would:

not have social contact with other elders
will not be informed of health issues or
info on safety, scam alerts etc.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Wilma Yee

Address: 223 Jack Lane
Hon 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Open a Club
keeps me young at heart &
learn the culture of our
ancesters
learn about hurricane & disaster
pedestrian safety

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: be
home bound + grow older

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Danny Megard

Address: 1273 Alawa Dr.

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
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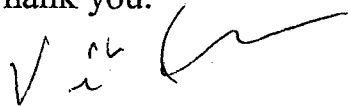
I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Eat every Tuesdays - Help set up
chairs for various functions.
Am the Sgt. of Arms for the
Dinner Club

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: sit at
home and be idle.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,



Name:

Vernon Kamiyama

Address:

2375 Mauiola PL
Honolulu HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers**

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I am going to Okinawa on a beach club and learn so many new things and meet friends. To take a exercise twice a week keeping my self happy.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: *Love to myself everyday just stayed home doing nothing*

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: NOBU YOSHIOKA

Address: 55 S KUKUI ST D-1204
HONOLULU, HI 96813

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 70 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

*make many friends
lots of entertainment
keep my mind alert
learn about health, many senior
benefits from many agency
learn about pedestrian safety*

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

*not exercise my mind
exercising for my body also
Very lonely
won't meet so many friends I be depressed*

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Gony S. Malek #

Address: 1245 Maunakea St. 905
Hon. HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

*I participate in Ohinawa club.
We have exercise programs,
like crossing the street, and many more
interesting things to know.*

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

*I have no other place to go. Coming to
Ohinawa club make me enjoy.*

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: _____

Tsune Kuyama

Address: _____

425 N. Kuatani St #1

Hon. H. 96817.

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Stretch & Tone Exercise Program and
Arts & Craft Class

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: be at home watching TV and nothing much else.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Gwen K. Perry

Address: 1563 Kalaepaa Dr.
Hon. HI 96819-3008

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 72 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Okinawa dance
Okinawa club 2

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: ?

Stay home

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Suzuko H Demola

Address: 1720 Huna St. Apt. #107

Hon. HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

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I am 87 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Ohunawa Club meeting

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

Lonely + Lost

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Jean K. Arakaki

Address: 2145 Oulii St.

Home # 95817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 74 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Okinawa Nenchoha Club meetings - meetings are
very entertaining and educational as I'm learning more
about my cultural heritage - and also about the many
services available to us senior citizens -

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: just beat
home -

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Akaye Nomura

Address: 1658 Horikawa St.

Pearl City HI 96782

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 86 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I really enjoy coming to Lanakila Center and have learned lots of things.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

If there is no center to come I'll be lost.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Norma Bshiro
Address: 637 Weyl St.

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

OKINAWA DANCING

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would:

Just stay at home and be a couch potato.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Kumilo Olimabekuro

Address: 1608 Kilaiki St

Hon HI. 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Skinner program
Fellowship
meet friends
learn different dance
learn craft
hear speakers
exercise

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

grow old at home

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Tomiko Oshiro

Address: 1617 Young St.
Hm. 91291

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

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I am 90 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

make friends
learn new things
exercise
hear speaker learn safety
learn craft
Keep healthy

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

Don't know what to do at home.
feel lost

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Nancy Ikehara

Address: 114 Kuakini St.

Hon. HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Okinawa program
Fellowships
List to speakers
Learn different Ethnic program
Learn crafts

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

feel lost
don't know what's going on every day

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: STELLA Okune

Address: 2428 ~~Luani~~ Tuisitola St #211
Hon. HI 96815

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 65 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

*Hawaiian Club, Japanese Club, Okinawa Club,
Stretch & Tone, Line dancing - Karate, hula*

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: *be pretty sad.*

*I have made many new friends - learned about
different cultures - been given a few responsibilities that
make feel needed. I go there at least 3 times a week.*

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Leimomi Berejan

Address: 1957 Umahu Pl.
Hon. Hi. 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 92 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Music groups Card games groups
I certainly hope we have enough
State funds to support senior activities in our
neighborhood.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: not have
places to go.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Melvin Oyama

Address: 1634 Kapiolani St. Hono.

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

OKINAWA NENEIHO SA CLUB

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

STAYING Home ALL ALONE

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: DORIS SHIOHARA

Address: 1525-A BULL LANE

HONOLULU 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I love to come to the center to learn the different activities provided for seniors. We have groups of people who give lectures on Mediterranean Safety - how to cope with hurricanes (if we get it) very informative. I've joined the Japanese & Okinawan clubs. Learning ethnic studies & meeting new old members. Also took up tap dancing to keep me lively - member for over 20 yrs. Recently moved to Hawaii Kai to be with my family. Hence - address change.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: *probably just sit to be a "potato couch" no exercise - just get fat & lazy & not be able to learn all the crafts offered.*

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: May Tani

Address: 7182 Kamele St.

Hon. HI.

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Japanese and Okinawan Cultural Clubs: - I learned a great deal about both clubs, about the history and its traditions of the culture. It's interesting to learn how the members participate, the types of activities performed. The lei making group helps whenever the center needs leis. Some of the members volunteer at Maluhia Long-Term Care, Recreation by helping make things for the Gift Shop and Store. Also entertain the residents joining the Japanese Singing Group. These activities really keep me alert and my physical health well.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: not be as physically strong and mentally alert.

Lanakila has provided many seminars & workshops for us seniors to be alert at all times, like traffic safety, fall prevention, pedestrian safety, hearing seminar and having our blood pressure monitored by a volunteer.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Eleanor T. Miura

Address: 2407 Kula Kulea Dr
Honolulu HI 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Ukulele class
Tap Dance class
Hula class
Volunteer work at different hospitals
Day Care Centers, Convalescent Homes,
Salvation Army centers, and Maluhia Hospital

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would:

Not be able to learn Hula Dancing
Tap Dancing, and Ukulele playing.
Not learn singing Hawn songs too.

Please make additional funds for senior centers. like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Violet C. Ho

Address: 99-655 Aiea Hts Dr
Aiea, HI 96701

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

1. Sew for Rehab Hosp. of the Pacific
2. Exercise Class - for maintaining good health
3. Participate in Japanese Club to contribute my knowledge in the culture + arts
4. Participate in social activities at LMPS

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would:

not have any friends to socialize with
not be able to exercise for good health

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Marshall Tanaka

Address: 3881 Old Pali Road

Hon. 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Ukulele Class

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: stay at home

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Solomon Kaulakukai

Address: 3008 Polohi Place
Honolulu, HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I have been attending this center for more than ten years although I live in the Salt Lake District. Because I am out of district, that meant I needed to put in at least 300 ~~total~~ volunteer hours according to the rules of this center. It was worth fulfilling those hours. I think this is the only senior center that has those many ethnic clubs. I belong to the Okonawa Club.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: be
be I was missing out many informations
that we "seniors" learn and share with our
fellow members.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Mitzi Nakamura

Address: 1324 Ala Puumale St.

Hon. (Salt Lake)

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

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I am 69 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Okinawan Club. I take Okinawan dancing. Although I am not Okinawan, I have learned the Okinawan culture and how strong their club is because they work together and support each other because they care and through the hardships they endured. I have learned to appreciate the other cultures also. Without Lanakila I would never have the opportunity and ^{have this learning} experience.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: *

I look forward every week to the entertainment & educational program that is a very important part of mental & physical well being. Please do not deprive us seniors from enjoying our golden years.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Nancy Akamichi

Address: 2668 Rooke Ave.

Hon. HI 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 63 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Volunteers Helping at the Cafeteria
Kitchen for two days.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: go church
go walking just an exercise
stay home doing some house held work
hear the radio watch T.V. some times
help watch the baby

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Florence V. Anaganan

Address: 1004 Paa Paa
Hon. HI. 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

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I am 81 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

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I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

Hawaiian Culture Club
Portuguese Culture Club
Chinese Culture Club
Folk sing along

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____
Spend more time at home, watching TV also check out
other senior centers, probably be inconvenienced
travelling there. I look forward coming to
Lanakila senior center, having fun singing
dancing, and doing other activities.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Elizabeth Parker

Address: 440 Kauhane St
Hon HI 96813

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: _____
Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: Support of SB 2347, Relating to Senior Centers

I am 85 years old and a member of the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

Please support the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and its membership of nearly 2,000 senior citizens with additional State funding in the amount of \$170,000.

I participate in the following Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center activities:

I belong to Ukulele Class, our Teacher is so great. And we really learn so much from her. Most of the people here are so nice. The people in the office are wonderful. This place is run real good.

If there was NO Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, I would: _____

I would be so hurt it is very lonely sitting home. And just walking around town and know money to spend. We love it here. Please keep this place for us.

Please make additional funds for senior centers, like Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community! Thank you.

Sincerely,

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