

## testimony

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Aloha,

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Our organization, the United States Tennis Association, is the national governing body of tennis and has seen first hand that tennis events, like Davis Cup, Fed Cup, and other national & international tennis events, generate income into the economies of states throughout the United States. We would certainly do our best to bring major tennis events to Hawaii in an effort to generate income and promote Hawaii as a visitor destination and we would look forward to working with an Entertainment & Sports Authority to do so.

I would be happy to provide additional information or support as requested.

Thank you.

Kind regards,

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