

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2009

RE: H.C.R. No. 68

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred
H.C.R. No. 68 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL AS SEXUAL
ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to educate the
public about sexual violence and to encourage the prevention of
sexual assault, the improved treatment of its survivors, and the
prosecution of its perpetrators by recognizing the month of April
as "Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month."

* A concerned individual testified in support of this
concurrent resolution.

Your Committee acknowledges that sexual assault affects not
only women, but also men and children, of all racial, religious,
age, ethnic, and socioeconomic groups in the United States. It
has been shown that prevention education programs have the
potential to reduce the prevalence of sexual assault in their
respective communities. But, the first step in addressing this
problem is raising awareness and educating the public about the
realities of sexual assault and the ongoing strategies to end it.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your
Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 68 and
recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services,


JOHN M. MIZUNO, Chair



