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To: House Committees on Human Services and Health
Date and time: April 6, 2009; 9:00 a.m.
Location: State Conference Room #329

Re: Testimony in Support of H.R. 167 and H.C.R. 205 Requesting the Dissemination of information to the public about the veteran's preference for tenant selection in state low income housing projects

Chair Mizuno, Vice Chair Yamane, and members of the committee,

My name is Stewart Lambert.

I am submitting this testimony in full support of all veterans of the United States of America who graciously give their lives for the freedom we hold so dear to our fundamental way of life.

I would like to ask that the committee include a low-income housing preference, to include an "affordable housing" that the State develops and the Counties impose on developers. There are no provisions in the statute, county ordinances, or rules and regulations to provide for veterans as a special group that should have preferential consideration. Affordable housing is provided to residents who are purchasing, for the most part, rather than renting. A veteran, at present, has to wait in line and basically "camp out" at the doorstep of the developer the night before a lottery to receive a lottery number just to have an opportunity to purchase a house. For example, out of one hundred units available to purchase, the veteran's lottery number may be number 560. The veteran has a slim chance of purchasing a home because the veteran has not been provided a preferential status. Furthermore, the veteran has not been recognized for the service the veteran has provided to our country.

I respectfully request that the committees on Human Services and Health adopt this resolution in full support and thanks to the veterans of United States.

Respectfully submitted,



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Testimony in **Strong Support** for
HCR167/HCR205- Requesting the dissemination of information to the public about the
veterans preference for tenant selection in State Low-Income Housing Projects

Good Morning Chair Mizuno and Chair Yamane,

I, Allan Garcia, am submitting this testimony in **strong support** of this bill. By providing eligible veterans a housing preference, it would recognize the service and sacrifices of veterans.

Thank you for allowing me to testify

Respectfully submitted,



Allan Garcia