

LATE TESTIMONY

Representative Rida Cabanilla, Committee Chair Representative Pono Chong,
Committee Vice Chair House Committee on Housing Hearing
Date: Wednesday, March 25, 2009, Conference Room 325, 9AM
Re: SUPPORT for HCR144 & HR114

Chair Cabanilla, Vice Chair Chong and members of the committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in **support** of HCR144, urging Hawaii's Congressional delegation to introduce legislation deterring the transportation of homeless people to Hawaii.

Hawaii is currently facing an increase in homelessness and it will continue to increase in the future, especially during these difficult economic times. The Waianae Coast is a great example of what can possibly happen to the rest of Hawaii's beaches if influxes of homeless people are transported into Hawaii. We cannot currently sustain the existing homeless population in our state and deterring other states from shipping homeless people into Hawaii will help us deal with our current homeless crisis.

For these reasons, I strongly urge you to vote in support of HCR144 & HR114.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

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