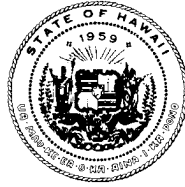


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Statement of
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The HHFDC believes that S.C.R. 82 is **not necessary** because it duplicates the Consolidated Plans that State and county housing agencies are in the process of developing.

The Consolidated Plan is a document submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that serves as the planning guide for entitlements funded under HUD's Community Planning and Development (CPD) programs. These programs include the Community Development Block Grant, Home Investment Partnership, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS, and Emergency Shelter Grant programs. The Five-Year Consolidated Plan provides an assessment of the housing and community development needs; a strategic plan for addressing these needs; and a specific one year Action Plan for the use of CPD funds. The following is a link to the State's Consolidated Plan for the period July 1, 2005-June 30, 2010:
<http://hawaii.gov/dbedt/hhfdc/resources/final-cp05-09.pdf>

HHFDC, the City and County of Honolulu, and the Counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui have commenced working on Five-Year Consolidated Plans for the period July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2015. (An outline of the new Plan is attached for your information.) We anticipate completing the State's Plan by January 15, 2010 and can submit it to the Legislature at that time. The HUD-approved State and County Plans will also be posted on the respective websites.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this concurrent resolution.

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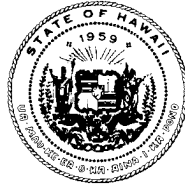
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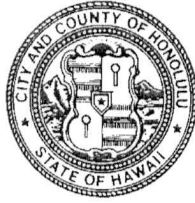
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The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) supports the intent of SCR 82, to update information on affordable housing needs and resources in order to better set public policy for the future.

However, since HPHA is by statute focused on management of the public housing projects and issues of homelessness, and is not an affordable housing development agency, we request that SCR 82 designate the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) as lead agency in this study. It is HHFDC that compiles and reports on matters of affordable housing, and has expertise in that portion of the housing spectrum. HPHA can make a valuable contribution based on its experience with homeless issues and the needs of public housing residents.

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The Honorable Norman Sakamoto, Chair
and Members of the Committee on
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The Senate
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Dear Chair Sakamoto and Members:

Subject: Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 82
Requesting the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation
and the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to Determine Current Information
on Affordable Housing, Review Past Data, and Update Projections for
Future Needs

The Department of Community Services **supports the intent** of Senate Concurrent Resolution 82. However, rather than requesting another report, we believe that the HHFDC's and HPHA's efforts should focus on new housing production with the limited resources available.

We would like to note that the City & County of Honolulu is in the process of updating its Consolidated Plan for 2011-2015 for submittal to the Honolulu City Council for approval prior to submittal to the U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). The Plan is a HUD requirement in order to receive Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership Act, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS and Emergency Shelter Grants entitlement funding. The draft Plan compiles the most current data on housing needs for our county, including an updated inventory of assisted housing units. The Plan also reviews barriers to developing affordable housing including those identified by recent task forces. We would be happy to share Honolulu's Con Plan with your committee when it is submitted to the City Council for approval.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah Kim Morikawa".

Deborah Kim Morikawa, Director
Department of Community Services

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