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I respectfully submit this written testimony in support of HCR 139 for a Hawaii Law Enforcement Memorial to honor Hawaii's law enforcement personnel killed in the line of duty.

I am a retired Drug Enforcement Administration special agent, and am familiar with the dangers associated with a law enforcement career. I am honored to have known and worked with several of Hawaii's fallen heroes. It is very fitting that the State of Hawaii set aside a special place of honor to show its respect and appreciation to the women and men who prematurely lost their lives while protecting ours. This memorial will also serve as a testimonial for the families and friends of these heroes, that their loved ones' lives were given for a greater cause. Finally, this memorial will be an inspiration to all law enforcement personnel, past and present, that their work is of the highest calling.

Since the Hawaii Law Enforcement Memorial will be privately funded, there will not be a financial burden to the State of Hawaii. I fully support this memorial and ask that the Hawaii State Legislature designate an appropriate area at the Hawaii State Capitol for this purpose.

Mahalo for this opportunity to support this project.

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