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FOR Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations and Military Affairs

Chair: Honorable Senator Will Espero

Vice Chair: Honorable Senator Michelle Kidani

Reference: Senate Bill (SB 1122), Making an Appropriation to the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol for Operating Expenses

In support of SB 2211, Hawaii Wing Civil Air Patrol has its' headquarters located on O'ahu, along with 3 Squadron, at Wheeler Army Air Field, Hickam Air Force Base and Kalaeloa (former Barbers Point). There are 6 other Squadrons in the State of Hawaii, covering the islands of Hawaii, Kauai and Maui.

Since the early 1950s, CAP has conducted Tsunami Warnings, Disaster Relief Operations and other Emergency Service Operations, including Search and Rescue missions. Along with the fully developed Cadet Program, CAP mentors and challenges, the Cadets to receive education in Leadership, Discipline, Responsibility and Safety, as they perform in the many programs provided, such as; Military Science, Aerospace Education, Emergency Services and Citizenship. CAP has 3 Missions, including; Aerospace Education, Emergency Services and Cadet Programs.

Your consideration for the approval of SB 2211, will enhance the continued efforts of the volunteers as they maintain the services they provide to ensure we, in the State of Hawaii sustain the exposure needed to support the ongoing missions involved with Home Land Security.

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The Senate Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs
Hearing: Thurs., Feb. 3, 2011 at 2:45 pm

**SB 1122: MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE HAWAII CIVIL AIR PATROL FOR
OPERATING EXPENSES**

Hawaii State Capitol, Conference Room 224

Chair Will Espero, Vice Chair Michelle Kidani, and members of the PGM Committee:

My name is Danielle Bass and I am a Mililani resident and have been a member Hawaii Wing Civil Air Patrol for the past ten years.

Thank you for hearing **Senate Bill 1122: Making an Appropriation to the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol for Operating Expenses**. As a member of the Hawaii Wing Civil Air Patrol, I strongly support this Bill.

I wholeheartedly support SB1122, which appropriates monies to Hawaii Wing Civil Air Patrol (CAP) to perform various civil defense missions for the State of Hawaii.

Hawaii Wing Civil Air Patrol's members consist entirely of volunteers throughout the State of Hawaii who support the Core Values and Mission of Civil Air Patrol. Civil Air Patrol continues to play a pivotal role in the areas of Tsunami Warning, damage assessment, homeland security and search and rescue for the State of Hawaii since before statehood. Civil Air Patrol dually offers additional programs including the Cadet Program and Aerospace Education, educating and training Hawaii's youth the importance of leadership, integrity, responsibility, and STEM-related aerospace training.

Previous State funds allocated to Hawaii Wing, resulted in an increase in mission capability and training. Proof of this training and crew currency is on record. CAP provided rapid response and flown myriads of missions requested by the Counties and State during incidents occurring over the past years. CAP is committed to continue this support and responsibility to the State of Hawaii.

In return for funding, Hawaii Wing Civil Air Patrol provides vital services to the citizens of the State of Hawaii, 24 hours a day, and 365 days a year. Funds will be spent in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement agreed upon by the State Civil Defense and Civil Air Patrol.

I strongly urge you to support this bill and thank you for your consideration.