

LATE TESTIMONY

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Comments: The CAP provides to the counties and State of Hawaii a timely, cost effective asset in time of need. From Tsunami warnings, post damage assessments, SAR missions, coordination with Civil Defense, the CAP has shown their professionalism and resourcefulness time and time again. An additional mission, that provides significant savings to the Hawaii State and federal taxpayer, is that of simulating a Unmanned Air Vehicle (UAV)(slow , low moving target) for both the HIANG and the US Navy. Done with all volunteers and General Aviation aircraft(Cessna 172,182's)it provide maximum training at minimal cost. Our most important program is our cadet program (12-18 year old youth. Oriented toward leadership, character development, professional skills and aerospace education, these young men and women are given the tools to become tomorrows leaders. The taxpayer(both federal and state) get tremendous bang for the buck. The CAP program needs to be funded. Sincerely, James E Degnan LTC CAP