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Testimony in **support** of HCR218
Urging the United States Congress to award the Congressional Medal of Honor
to John Kuulei Kauhahao, of Honaunau, Hawaii

Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
Senator Will Espero, Chair
Senator Rosalyn Baker, Vice Chair

April 16, 2013
9:30 am Room 312

Chair Espero, Vice-Chair Baker, and members of the Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs Committee:

The Office of the Governor **supports** House Concurrent Resolution 218, Urging the United States Congress to award the Congressional Medal of Honor to John Kuulei Kauhahao, of Honaunau, Hawaii.

John K. Kauhahao enlisted in the Hawaii Army National Guard in 1959 while still in high school. The 29th Infantry Brigade, Hawaii Army National Guard, was mobilized in 1968, and 1LT Kauhahao was a member of Company B, 2d Battalion, 8th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division (Airborne).

In September 1969, his platoon was ambushed by more than 500 North Vietnamese regulars. 1LT Kauhahao was mortally wounded in this action, and he was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his courageous actions.

We believe his heroic actions warrant the Medal of Honor.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.