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Before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR**

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In consideration of

**Senate Concurrent Resolution 60, Senate Draft 1**

**Urging the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to Initiate the Sponsorship Process for the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development "Step-Up" Program to Provide new Employment and Training Programs for Public Housing Residents and other Low-Income People**

Honorable Chair Hee and Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor, thank you for the opportunity to provide you with comments regarding Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 60, Senate Draft (SD) 1, urging the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) to initiate the sponsorship process for the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) "Step-Up" program to provide new employment and training programs for public housing residents and other low-income people.

The HPHA supports the intent of SCR 60, and has initiated the process to be a sponsor for the HUD "Step-Up" program. However, after much research, the HPHA does not currently have the needed staff to administer this program. Hence, we would humbly request the funding for 1.5 positions to assist the HPHA to administer this program, and to work with all parties involved to provide our low-income public housing residents and other low-income people with employment and job training programs.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor with the agency's comments regarding SCR 60, SD 1. Thank you very much for your dedicated support.

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