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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

DATE: Tuesday, January 9, 2018
TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 329
           State Capitol
           415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

HOMELESS SUMMIT I

The Legislature finds that homelessness is one of the State's most significant and challenging social concerns. According to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Point-in-Time count in January Hawaii has 7,220 homeless people which places Hawaii as the State with the highest per capita homeless in the nation.

This briefing shall focus on breaking down silos in the health and human services arena relating to homelessness and moving the focus to consensus building and solution seeking through collaboration. The mission of this briefing is to identify methods and programs that efficiently and effectively address and reduce homelessness. The methods identified shall work to provide significant benefits for achieving the outcome of empowering Hawaii's most vulnerable people the homeless; and to expand their capacity for self-sufficiency, self-determination, independence, healthy choices, quality of life, and personal dignity.

We will be hearing from government officials, hospitals, non-profits, mental health workers, social workers, faith based organizations, and other advocates to identify possibly solutions to significantly address Hawaii's homelessness.

We have invited the following officials, departments, non-profits, agencies, hospitals, organizations, advocates and individuals to participate in this briefing.

Hawaii County Mayor Harry Kim or his designee
The State Department of Human Services – The Hawaii Public Housing Authority
DHS – Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
The State Department of Health – Mental Health Branch
The State Interagency Council on Homelessness
Office of Housing, City and County of Honolulu
The Institute of Human Services
Aloha United Way
Queen's Hospital – Dr. Bruno, M.D. and Dr. Cheng, M.D.
Kaiser
Castle Hospital
HMSA
Dr. Nancy Walch – Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs Homeless Program
Dr. Koyanagi – Achieving trust and rehabilitation for homeless
Dr. Patti Isaacs – Ho'omau Ke Ola

Cedar Church – Farming for homeless
Village of Hope
Current Housing First Projects
Dr. Glenn Pang – drug and alcohol addiction centers for homeless
Mason Henderson – Collaboration to successfully address homelessness
Hawaii Lodging & Tourism Association
Health Association of Hawaii
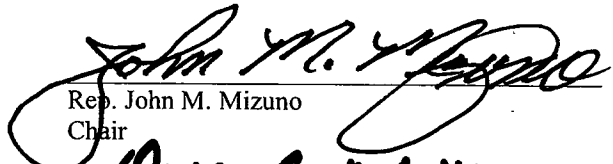Honolulu Police Department
State Sheriff

1. The procedure will be to allow approximately 5 minutes per participant on their proven method.
2. How many homeless will such a program or method serve?
3. Where is the location and is it private, State, Federal, County, or Hawaiian Home Lands property?
4. Funding – What will such a program costs? Will the request for funding be from private, non-profit, State, Federal, or County sources?
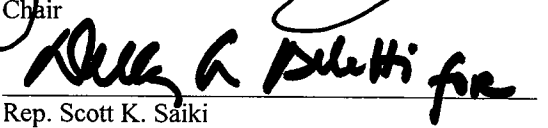
The goal of this briefing is to build consensus and finalize solutions for homelessness. After 2 hours, the last 15 minutes will be reserved to highlight solutions which may become bills, administrative action, or private foundation projects.

No public testimony will be accepted.

If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids and/or services to participate in the informational briefing (i.e., sign language interpreter or wheelchair accessibility), please contact the Committee Clerk at **586-6050** to make a request for arrangements at least 24 hours prior to the briefing. Prompt requests help to ensure the availability of qualified individuals and appropriate accommodations.

For further information, please call the Committee Clerk at **586-6050**.

Rep. John M. Mizuno
Chair

Rep. Scott K. Saiki
Speaker of the House

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