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March 24, 2018

To: Senator Clarence Nishihara, Chair  
And members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair  
And Members of the Committee on Transportation and Energy

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SCR 191/SR 105 URGING ALL THE COUNTIES OF HAWAII TO CREATE A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE DECAL, SIMILAR TO THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU'S "HAWAII SAYS NO MORE WEEK" SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE DECAL, TO RAISE FUNDS TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ABUSE.**

Hawai'i Youth Services Network (HYSN), a Core Team member of Hawai'i Says NO MORE, supports SCR 191/SR 105.

Four years ago, a group of 15 of Hawai'i's leading government and non-profit organizations and individuals launched Hawai'i Says NO MORE, a collaboration aiming to increase awareness and visibility to prevent and end domestic violence and sexual assault.

Since then, Hawai'i Says NO MORE has raised awareness about this violence across the state and encouraged public discussions to break the silence, shame, and stigma surrounding these issues.

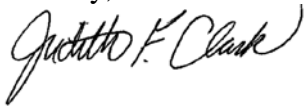
- 1 in 7 women in Hawai'i are sexually assaulted
- Over 500 domestic violence survivors seek support from programs every day in Hawai'i
- 1 in 3 teens experience sexual or physical abuse or threats from a boyfriend or girlfriend in one year
- 1 in 2 women and 1 in 5 men have experienced some form of sexual victimization in their lives

Our values as a community reflect aloha (love, affection, kindness), pono (goodness, respect, equity) and 'ohana (family, connections). Violence does not reflect these values and Hawai'i Says NO MORE.

Hawai'i Says NO MORE license plates are a visible symbol of our support for these values while raising funds to support survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Judith F. Clark". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'J'.

Judith F. Clark, MPH  
Executive Director

**SCR-191**

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments:

To the Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair; the Honorable Glenn Wakai, Vice-Chair and Members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs:

To the Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair; the Honorable Will Espero, Vice-Chair and Members of the Committee on Transportation and Energy:

Good afternoon. My name is Melodie Aduja. I serve as Chair of the Oahu County Committee ("OCC") on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii. Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony on **SCR 191 / SR 130** relating to Special License Plate Decal; Fundraising; End Domestic Violence; and the Counties.

The OCC on Legislative Priorities is in favor of **SCR 191 / SR 130** and supports its passage.

**SCR 191 / SR 130** is in accord with the Platform of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i ("DPH"), 2016, as it urges all counties of the State of Hawaii are urged to create a special license plate decal, similar to the special decal of the City and County of Honolulu honoring "Hawaii Says NO MORE Week", and donate some of the proceeds to end domestic violence and sexual abuse in the respective county.

The Platform of the DPH provides that "We believe in women's equality and right to privacy, including but not limited to equal access to reproductive services and care, shelter and counseling for victims of domestic violence, and the right of rape victims to emergency contraception in the emergency room." (Platform of DPH, P.4, Line 170-172 (2016)).

Given that **SCR 191 / SR 130** urges all counties of the State of Hawaii are urged to create a special license plate decal, similar to the special decal of the City and County of Honolulu honoring "Hawaii Says NO MORE Week", and donate some of the

proceeds to end domestic violence and sexual abuse in the respective county, it is the position of the OCC on Legislative Priorities to support this measure.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Melodie Aduja

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