

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI‘I AT MĀNOA**  
**2465 Campus Road, Campus Center 211A**  
**Honolulu HI 96822**

**Senate Resolution 14-17**

**IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED SECURITY AT UH MĀNOA STUDENT HOUSING FACILITIES**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE SENATE:**

*WHEREAS*, the Associated Students of the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa (ASUH) Senate is the elected body representing approximately 11,000 full-time classified undergraduate students; and,

*WHEREAS*, approximately 4,000 residents live in on-campus housing, the vast majority of whom are represented by ASUH<sup>1</sup>; and,

*WHEREAS*, many of these students reside in on-campus housing because of its affordability and convenience; and,

*WHEREAS*, the stated vision and mission of the Student Housing Services at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa is, in part, “to provide student-centered living learning communities that will develop and enrich [students’] experiences” and “to provide safe and inclusive communities;”<sup>2</sup> and,

*WHEREAS*, the stated vision and mission of the Department of Public Safety is, in part, “to provide and promote a safe and secure campus” and “to provide protection of persons and property through crime & loss prevention services;”<sup>3</sup> and,

*WHEREAS*, according to the Department of Public Safety, during the Fall 2016 semester alone, 5 moped thefts, 1 burglary, and 1 robbery occurred in or near student housing facilities<sup>4</sup>; and,

*WHEREAS*, according to the Department of Public Safety, during the Spring 2017 semester, 1 sexual assault, 1 attempted burglary, 1 burglary, and 3 moped thefts have already occurred in or near student housing facilities<sup>5</sup>; and,

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<sup>1</sup> <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/dps/PDFs/UHMDPSStrategicPlan.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <https://manoa.hawaii.edu/housing/guide>

<sup>3</sup> <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/dps/mission.html>

<sup>4</sup> <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/dps/index.html>

<sup>5</sup> Ibid.

*WHEREAS*, according to a 2014-2015 Community Safety Survey conducted by the Department of Public Safety, 74% of respondents report concerns of burglaries and thefts on campus, and 63% of respondents report concerns of sexual assault and rape on campus<sup>6</sup>; and,

*WHEREAS*, according to the Department of Public Safety's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan, the department's goals include "[engaging] an expert consultant to research, design and create a phased implementation timeline for an integrated campus-wide Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) system" and "[developing] UHM policies for the installation, use and maintenance of core crime and loss prevention services such as CCTV...;"<sup>7</sup> and,

*WHEREAS*, according to the Department of Public Safety's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan, "DPS aims to garner feedback about the concerns of the local community and tailor its programs and presentations to fit the needs and desires of the community;"<sup>8</sup> and,

*WHEREAS*, according to the Department of Public Safety's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan, "DPS continues to operate within budget" and "it is not anticipated that any of the initiatives within this strategic plan will require additional funding sources;"<sup>9</sup> and, therefore,

*BE IT RESOLVED*, that the ASUH firmly believes that the amount of crimes that occur in or around student housing facilities is inadmissible; and,

*BE IT RESOLVED*, that the ASUH firmly believes that the safety and well-being of student housing residents are the responsibility of both Student Housing Services and the Department of Public Safety; and,

*BE IT RESOLVED*, that the ASUH firmly believes that the implementation of crime and loss prevention services such as a Closed Circuit Television surveillance system in and around public areas of student housing facilities, including lobbies, elevators, and bike racks, but not including areas such as hallways and balconies, would help in both identifying perpetrators and deterring crime; and,

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that the ASUH requests a comprehensive, detail-oriented, and timely implementation of the Department of Public Safety's Strategic Plan as it relates to crime and loss prevention in and around student housing facilities; and,

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that the ASUH seeks an open and constructive dialogue between ASUH, the Department of Public Safety, and Student Housing Services regarding the safety of the student population; and,

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<sup>6</sup> <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/dps/PDFs/UHMCommSafetySurvey.pdf>

<sup>7</sup> <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/dps/PDFs/UHMDPSStrategicPlan.pdf>

<sup>8</sup> Ibid.

<sup>9</sup> Ibid.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED*, that certified copies of this resolution shall be sent to Hawai'i State Governor David Ige; UH President and UH Mānoa Interim Chancellor David Lassner; the UH Board of Regents Chairperson Jan Sullivan and Members; UH Mānoa Interim Vice Chancellor for Students Lori Ideta; UHM Department of Public Safety Chief Randall West, UHM Department of Public Safety Captain Alberta J.K. Pukahi, Student Housing Services Director, Student Housing Services Associate Director for Residential Life David Akana, Student Housing Services Assistant Director for Conduct and Community Standards Karen Blakeley, the Honolulu Star Advertiser; and the Ka Leo o Hawai'i.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO ACCEPT SR 14-17 WITH AMENDMENTS**

**Aye(s):** Vice President Dela Cruz, Secretary Nishihara, Senators-at-Large Chen, Enriquez, Urasaki, Willis, Senators Arenivas, Crollard, Delos Reyes, Finau, Fong, Ho, Honda, Ikeda, Ishii, Klinestiver, Lao, Lee, Leval, Lo, Negrillo, Takagi, Wang, Yamada, Zabanal [25]

**Naye(s):** [0]

Introducer: Micah A. Leval, Senator of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences