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TO: Members of the Honolulu City Council

FROM: Natalie Iwasa
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DATE: Wednesday, February 26, 2025

SUBJECT: Bill 13, Real Property and Police Inspection – **OPPOSED**

Aloha Chair Waters and Councilmembers,

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on Bill 13, which would allow owners to authorize police to inspect property that is rented out *without the requirement of a warrant*.

There are so many things wrong with this bill. **It is absolutely NOT RIGHT** to allow this**.** Tenants have a right to privacy, and that right cannot be overridden or given away by another person. If there is a question about illegal activity, police should obtain a warrant.

I urge you to vote "no" on Bill 13.

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To: Members of the Honolulu City Council

RE: Bills 11, 12 and 13

Aloha Chair Waters and members of the Honolulu City Council,

I am in **strong support** of Bills 11, 12 and 13 being heard by you on 2/26/25.

While each of them is a bit different, they each figure into gambling and game rooms which have become a real problem not only in commercial areas but in many residential areas (including my own).

Bill 11 which relates to "Relating to electronic amusement devices. (Providing for the strict regulation of electronic amusement devices to protect public health, safety, and welfare)" would still allow places who feature games for children to continue (i.e. Chucky Cheese, Johnny Rocket's, etc.). It would eliminate many of these gambling machines which are popping up not only in game rooms but bars and restaurants.

Bill 12 which relates to "Addressing public nuisances relating to gambling activities throughout the City and County of Honolulu)" is long overdue again with the amount of "game rooms" now firmly established in many areas. Sad to say that the one in my residential neighborhood has been there for over 3 years now despite the many attempts from HPD to shut it down and they of course reopen in less than a week. We have witnessed drug trafficking, prostitution, sales of stolen items, etc. along with the traffic in our neighborhood and the "less than desirable" people that visit and hang outside during the day and nights.

Bill 13 which relates to "Addressing private real property subject to a lease, rental agreement, or HRS Chapter 521, Relating to the Residential Landlord-Tenant Code." I understand that this bill would allow owners to authorize police to inspect property that is rented out without the requirement of a warrant. I'm sure that HPD would never inspect a property without just cause and as many landlords are afraid to inspect properties due to the bouncers/bodyguards that hang outside 24/7.

PLEASE support Bills 11, 12 and 13 and allow them to go forward for further research and discussion. We would love to have our safe neighborhoods back!

Mahalo for allowing me to testify!

Gail Gomes