REQUESTING THE HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE FOR FIREARM PERMITTING AND REGISTRATION BY THE PUBLIC AT THE KAPOLEI AND KANEHOE POLICE STATIONS.

WHEREAS, Section 134-2 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes requires that every person who acquires a firearm must procure a permit to acquire a firearm with the county Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, Section 134-3 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes requires that every person who acquires a firearm or brings a firearm into a county must register the firearm with the county Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, currently the only location to apply for a firearm permit or register a firearm in the City and County of Honolulu is at the Firearms Section of the Honolulu Police Department Main Station located on South Beretania Street; and

WHEREAS, the City Council designated the Kapolei region as Oahu’s secondary urban center, built Kapolei Hale to provide a variety of public services to the outlying communities, and regularly schedules its full Council meetings at Kapolei Hale and Windward Oahu in recognition of the importance of providing City services and accessibility outside of the urban Honolulu core; and

WHEREAS, according to a 2012 report prepared by the Hawaii Attorney General’s office, new firearm registrations in the City numbered 7,738 in 2007; 9,452 in 2011; and 13,927 in 2012; and

WHEREAS, the rapid increase in firearm registrations has resulted in long lines to obtain a permit to acquire or to register firearms; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it hereby requests the Honolulu Police Department to provide for firearm permitting and registration at the Kapolei and Kaneohe Police Stations; and
RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Chief of the Honolulu Police Department.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

APR 16 2013
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers