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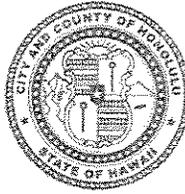
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The Honorable Todd Apo, Chair  
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Honolulu City Council  
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Dear Chair Apo and Councilmembers:

Subject: Bill 18, CD2; Proposed Salary Structure for Deputies Corporation Counsel

This letter is written in response to Council Chair Barbara Marshall's inquiry made at the May 20, 2008, Budget Committee meeting regarding the Department of the Corporation Counsel's ("COR's") proposal to develop and implement a salary structure for COR deputies which would entail the adjustment of the minimum salary paid to deputies with ten or more years of experience up to a set amount. In reviewing COR's proposed structure, Council Chair asked to be informed of the salary range paid to Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys ("DPAs") with comparable experience.

We have consulted with the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney ("PAT"), and report that out of a current total of 106 DPAs, 43 (41%) have ten or more years of experience, and are paid within the salary range of \$62,508 to \$108,288 annually. The median annual salary for DPAs with ten or more years of experience is \$85,398. In comparison to PAT, the salary range for COR deputies with ten or more years of experience (25 total, or 71%) is \$62,000 to \$105,402, with the median salary being \$83,701. Thirteen of the 25 COR deputies who have practiced law for ten or more years, currently earn less than \$80,000 annually.

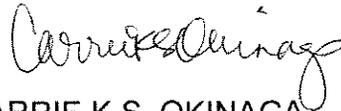
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We thank you and the Budget Committee once again for your assistance and continued support. Should you or members of the Committee have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Very truly yours,



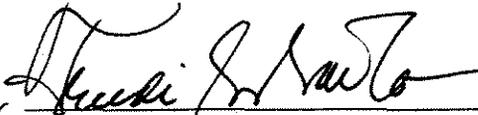
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