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Message from Governor Linda Lingle

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Dt. Governor James R. "Duke" Siona, Jr.

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HAWAI'I DRUG ADDICTION PREVENTION BENEFIT PERFORMANCE NOVEMBER 24, 2007

On behalf of the people of Hawai'i, we send our personal greetings to everyone gathered at the Mamiya Theater at St. Louis School for the Hawai'i Drug Addiction Prevention Benefit Performance.

An estimated 108,000 adults in Hawai'i struggle with some form of drug and/or alcohol addiction. Our Administration is very supportive of our residents who are working to overcome their addictions and greatly appreciate the efforts of community organizations who provide rehabilitation services.

During the past two years, both The House of Love and The Women's Drug Addiction Rehabilitation Center have grown with the guidance of Assemblies of God's Hawai'i Cedar Church. The programs assist around 40 people per month who are displaced from their homes and help them regain sobriety. We greatly appreciate your organization's dedication to helping Hawai'i's residents through your faith-based program.

We are pleased with your clients' willingness to help with fundraising to improve the quality of their care, including forming a choir performing at this evening's benefit. We are confident this evening's program, featuring performers from both Korea and Hawai'i, speakers from area rehabilitation organizations and lessons from former addicts, will be educational and uplifting to everyone in attendance.

Mahalo to the volunteers and staff who are helping make this event possible, and our best wishes for a successful evening.

Aloha,

Linda Lingle

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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