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COUNCILMEMBER DJOU: 500% INCREASE IN ZOO PARKING FEE - ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

Today, Honolulu City Councilmember Charles K. Djou (Waikiki, East Honolulu) reiterated his opposition to the mayor's proposed increase in zoo parking meter rates.

"I oppose the mayor's proposal to increase parking meter rates at the Honolulu Zoo by 500%. I am proud of my consistent opposition to increased in taxes," stated Councilmember Djou. "The proposal to raise Kapiolani Parking meter rates, was introduced by the Mayor to help finance the massive growth in City government spending over the past four years.

The City Council is considering Bill 25, introduced by Mayor Mufi Hannemann, to increase parking meter rates at Kapiolani Park by 500%. Bill 25 and most of the City budget, will be reviewed by the budget committee tomorrow.

Since Mufi Hannemann became mayor, total City spending has exploded from \$1.5 bil. in 2005 to a whopping \$3.5 bil. for next year. Councilmember Djou has opposed every tax increase proposed at Honolulu Hale since he took office and will continue to fight all tax increases.

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