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### COUNCILMEMBER DJOU: CITY ENACTS RECORD SPENDING BUDGET

Councilmember Charles K. Djou (Waikiki, East Honolulu) reacted to Mayor Hannemann signing the largest budget in City history today.

“At over \$2.1 billion, this is by far the largest budget in Honolulu history. This year’s budget authorizes the mayor to add over 1,600 more government workers to the City’s payroll, increases Honolulu’s already crushing debt load by over \$750 million, and boosts government spending by almost 12%. The City government spending has now increased by a whopping 61.5% since Mufi Hannemann took office, far exceeding the personal income growth of the average Hawaii family,” stated Councilmember Djou. “The City government’s record-breaking spending spree must stop. The people simply cannot afford these massive budgets.”

### CITY SPENDING, FROM FY 1999 TO 2008

