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From: Councilman Rod Tam *RJ*
**Chairman, Public Works & Economic Development
Committee
City Council, City & County of Honolulu**

Hawaii Citizens For Safe Drinking Water

Re: City & County of Honolulu Safeguards Its Pure Drinking Water

**“The City & county of Honolulu legislates Pure Drinking water
through Bill 66, Relating To Water.”**

**Today, the city council proponents and Hawaii Citizens For Safe
Drinking Water have called upon a news conference to formally
announce the adoption into law Bill 66, Relating To Water and to thank
residents (adults and children) for their lobbying efforts in support of
the bill. Bill 66 was introduced by Councilman Rod Tam, Chairman of
the Public Works & Economic Development Committee to mandate the
City & County of Honolulu’s drinking water be free of any chemical
additives, except those necessary to make it safe and potable for
human consumption.**

Specifically, Bill 66 will do the following:

- 1. Maintain the current “pure water” standard within the City & County
of Honolulu in accordance to the city’s Board of Water Supply
standards.**

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- 2. Continue to promote the City & County of Honolulu as a safe place for residents to live and tourists and business representatives to visit.**
- 3. Prevent the City & County of Honolulu's public waterlines from corrosion due to chemical additives.**

The Hawaii Citizens For Safe Drinking Water will continue to protect the city's pure water system by partnering with the city's Board of Water Supply in the continuous testing of the city's water quality.

The City & County of Honolulu of the State of Hawaii is the 1st capitol in United States and the 1st of the largest ranking 50 cities within the United States to legislate "pure water".

"Pure Water Our Greatest Need" – City & County of Honolulu's Board of Water Supply.

Per Dr. Roger Fujioka, PhD., of the University of Hawaii's Water Resources Research Center, "Public water shouldn't be used as a mechanism unless it's for public health in which everyone benefits and not a small percentage of the population."

For further information, contact Councilman Rod Tam at 216-5454 (cel.).