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Mr. Larry Geller larry@disappearednews.com

Dear Mr. Geller:

Mayor Kirk Caldwell has asked me to respond to your e-mail concerning advertising placed on police tape on Beretania Street.

On January 30, 2013, City and County personnel from the Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) and Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) took enforcement action on Bill 54, Stored Property Ordinance, at various locations within District 1 (Central Honolulu), including Thomas Square.

This operation, typically conducted on two consecutive days, is planned and directed entirely by the DFM and DPR with the legal guidance of the City's Department of the Corporation Counsel. The barrier tape is provided by and put in place by the DFM and DPR crews as part of their operation procedure to create an area of separation for the public's safety.

The primary purpose of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD) at these operations is to provide police presence, ensure a safe work environment for City personnel, and maintain the public's safety. The HPD will address and enforce any criminal activity that occurs or is reported, whether it is associated with the City's clean up efforts or otherwise. Officers will continue to make periodic checks and take appropriate enforcement action when necessary.

Should you have any further questions or concerns, please contact Major Roy Sugimoto of District 1 (Central Honolulu) at 529-3386.

Sincerely,

LOUIS M. KEALOHA

Chief of Police

cc: Mayor Kirk Caldwell