

Dear Ms. Kobayashi,

I am writing to you in response to the letter you sent to Mr. Robert P. Hiam, President and CEO of HMSA, dated March 4, 2011 in which you asked him to have HMSA "...take any necessary steps possible..." to regulate my feeding of feral cats on Sheridan Street.

As I am sure you are aware, my employer cannot regulate what I do outside of my place of employment, as long as it is not against the law. I am quite offended that a council person would try to jeopardize a person's employment over performing a humane act.

Instead of trying to stop one person from feeding feral cats I would like to suggest that you look at the **real problem** and address that for your constituent(s). Many in the area have complained about the number of feral cats in their neighborhood, especially Cedar Street which is right next to Sheridan Street. Why don't you look into contacting some no-kill societies and see if they can capture the cats and address this issue? I am sure your constituent(s) would love to see the problem resolved and resolved as humanely as possible.

Perhaps I could make this a public issue to help you get it addressed. I could send it to the Honolulu Star Advertiser and Mid-Week to help this issue get the attention it needs.

If you wish to pursue a humane resolution you can find a list of no-kill shelters at www.nokillnetwork.org/d/Hawaii.

Sincerely,