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HAWAII'S MISSING KIDS:
FORGOTTEN FACES AND UNSUNG HEROES

HONOLULU- Attorney General Mark Bennett and the Attorney General's Missing Child Center-Hawaii joins with the Hawaii Missing Children's Clearinghouse Advisory Board and Mutual of Omaha to invite the public to watch "Hawaii's Missing Kids: Forgotten Faces and Unsung Heroes," a one-hour television special to be aired on Thursday, January 1st, 2004 from 5 - 6pm on FOX2, KHON TV.

The special, hosted by Alicia Michioka Jones, will feature unsolved missing children cases, such as Jie Zhao Li, missing since 1988, and interviews with families and children that have experienced this tragedy first hand. Families will learn the "Rules for Safety" and the "Steps to Take, Now" to be prepared in case their child might someday be missing. Several programs initiated by the Missing Child Center-Hawaii over the last several years will also be highlighted, including a partnership with Mutual of Omaha to provide Identification kits for Hawaii’s youth, and a partnership with the Honolulu Police Department and the Clearinghouse Advisory Board to provide the services of "Annie" the bloodhound, who will be used to assist in the location and recovery of missing children.

"I encourage everyone to watch "Hawaii's Missing Kids: Forgotten Faces and Unsung Heroes," says Attorney General Mark Bennett, "because, our most important responsibility is to provide our children with a safe environment."

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