Kauai police issue sextortion scam on internet

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Kauai police are warning the public about an sextortion scam that threatens to release compromising videos of the recipient.

"If you receive a video of you after hacking into your computer or webcam and threatens to release compromising video to the public unless you pay up, do not obey or respond to any request," police said.

Police officers offered the following tips to avoid online scams:

Do not open suspicious emails, check on suspicious links or post sensitive information.

Do not provide user names, passwords and other personal information in a request from an unknown source.

Check your bank, credit card and phone statements regularly for any unauthorized charges. (Enroll in online statements)

Immediately notify your bank or service provider of any unauthorized charges. (Close your account if necessary)

Tell your password for your email accounts.

CORRECTIONS

The Honolulu Star-Advertiser strives to make its news reports and features accurate. If you have a question or comment about accuracy, please contact our editors at cityeditors@staradvertiser.com.

-- City Councilman Trevor Ozawa issued an apology to constituent's door in Ewa Beach seat, and issued an apology to the voters of his district.

-- Mayor Kirk Caldwell issued an apology to constituents door in Ewa Beach.

-- Sandy Wright is from Kilauea, Kauai, not Hawaii island, as was listed on her letter to the editor on Page 14 Friday.

-- City Councilman Trevor Ozawa said he did not specifically request direct deposit of his checks on the new federal website.

-- The video went viral Friday, and someone even reposted it on the popular Stolen Stuff Hawaii Facebook page before it was taken down by the page's administrator.

-- Kristen Consillio, a co-author of the study, said the US Small Business Administration has OK'd $25 million in Kilauea disaster-related loans. In this related active sleeping disorder.

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