

'Magnum' Has A Pal

Honolulu, Dec. 8.

Gov. George Ariyoshi, a strong supporter of Hawaii's film industry, has come to the aid of CBS-TV's "Magnum, P.I." (7c)

"Magnum's" lease at Diamond Head Studios, which is on state land, runs out Dec. 31, but Ariyoshi has extended the lease until at least Jan. 18 so the series can wind up its filming schedule.

Ariyoshi has also instructed the Hawaii Film Office to look at a number of locations that might be suitable for the tv show's production. He said the expiration date can be extended if the crew needs more time.

The U. of Hawaii has the studio site ticketed for part of a community college. ~~VARIETY~~

Don Bellisario, "Magnum" exec producer, has threatened to pull the show out of the islands and just shoot exteriors here because of the studio problem. He wants to stay put at Diamond Head.

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