THIRD DAY

Friday, January 23, 1981

The Senate of the Eleventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 1981, convened at 11:30 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by Reverend Nathan Mamo, Pastor of St. John Vianney Church, Kailua, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present, with the exception of Senators Carpenter and Mizuguchi who were excused.

The President announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Second Day.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions (S.R. Nos. 2 to 4) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

A resolution (S.R. No. 2), entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE M. OKADA INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION FOR ITS TIRELESS EFFORTS AS THE PRIME MOVER OF THE EXHIBITION OF JAPANESE GENRE PAINTINGS AT THE HONOLULU ACADEMY OF ARTS, JANUARY 23RD TO FEBRUARY 22ND 1981; AND COMMEND-ING THE KYUSEI ATAMI ART MUSEUM AND THE HONOLULU ACADEMY OF ARTS FOR CO-SPONSORING THIS RARE ART DISPLAY, " was offered by Senators Kuroda, Mizuguchi, Holt, Machida, Abercrombie, Campbell, Ushijima, O'Connor, Toyofuku, Uwaine, Yamasaki, Ajifu, Cayetano, Kawasaki, Young, Cobb, Carpenter, Yee, Saiki, Wong, Kobayashi, Anderson, Henderson, Soares and George.

On motion by Senator Kuroda, seconded by Senator Holt and carried, S.R. No. 2 was adopted.

Senator Kuroda then introduced to the members of the Senate the chairman of the Okada International Cultural Services Association and president of the Church of World Messianity from Atami, Japan, Rev. Teruaki Kawai; executive director of the Association and vice president of the Church of World Messianity, Rev. Yukio Ishihara; managing director of the Association, Rev. Naoyuki Kawai; Rev. Tadao Nishigaki, director of the Association and head minister of the Kanto Headquarters in Tokyo; and Rev. Ikuo Harazawa, head minister of the Shikoku Regional Headquarters. Senator Kuroda remarked that the gentlemen are here in Hawaii for the opening ceremonies of the exhibition.

At this time, Senators Kobayashi, Young, George and Saiki presented leis to the dignitaries and Senator Kuroda presented the resolution.

Senator Kuroda also introduced Mr. Noboru Furuya, former owner and operator of the Nippon Theater, Rev. Noboru Yamada and Rev. Teruhisa Takeda who accompanied the group and who were sitting the gallery.

At 11: 39 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 11:44 o'clock a.m.

At this time, Senator Abercrombie asked Senator Kuroda to convey his thanks and the thanks of all the members of the Senate to the Okada International Cultural Services Association for the marvelous and very wonderful publication on Japanese genre paintings that has been made available to all Senators.

A resolution (S.R. No. 3), entitled:
"SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING
ALOHA AND BEST WISHES TO THE
HONOLULU JAPANESE JUNIOR CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE ON THE OCCASION
OF ITS CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL,"
was offered by Senators Uwaine, Kawasaki,
Kuroda and Young.

On motion by Senator Abercrombie, seconded by Senator Kawasaki and carried, S.R. No. 3 was adopted.

A resolution (S.R. No. 4), entitled:
"SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING
THE MEMORY OF THE LATE RICHARD
SHOJI 'DICK' KITAMURA, ONE OF
HAWAII'S BASEBALL GREATS, AND
EXTENDING THE DEEPEST CONDOLENCES
OF THE HAWAII STATE SENATE TO
HIS WIDOW, CHILDREN, AND MOTHER,"
was offered by Senators Ajifu, Kuroda
and Uwaine.

On motion by Senator Ajifu, seconded by Senator George and carried, S.R. No. 4 was adopted.

RECONSIDERATION OF ACTION TAKEN

Senator Kuroda moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on H.C.R. No. 1, seconded by Senator Yee.

Senator Kuroda then stated that the reason for the request for reconsideration is because the Governor will not be able to address the Joint Session on Monday, January 26th, due to illness.

The motion to reconsider the action was put by the Chair and carried.

On motion by Senator Kuroda, seconded by Senator Yee and carried, the Senate reconsidered its action to adopt H.C.R. No. 1, and H.C.R. No. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ADDRESS THE LEGISLATURE ASSEMBLED IN JOINT SESSION," was placed on the Clerk's desk.

At 11: 46 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 11:47 o'clock a.m.

Senator Yee then rose to state as follows:

"Mr. President, the Minority would like to present to the Clerk of the Senate seven additional bills to lay on the Clerk's desk so that we could have them docketed, and when we are properly organized they become official documents of the Senate. Thank you."

The President ordered the Clerk to receive the bills.

Senator Cobb rose on a point of information as follows:

"Mr. President, have we designated yet the day for introduction of bills, as well as the cut-off date of bill introduction?"

The President replied that we have not.

Senator Kawasaki then rose to state that he also wanted to rise to that point of information and requested further clarification as follows:

"Mr. President, a further clarification of the information you just imparted to us.

"Inasmuch as the day of introduction of bills has not yet been designated, I take it then the fact that the few (Minority) bills that we have on the Clerk's desk means nothing in the way of priority being established?

"I do realize that there are literally hundreds of bills already prepared by the Democratic Majority here which we have not seen fit to put into storekeeping as yet."

The President replied: "Senator Kawasaki, we will decide that issue

when the Senate is organized."

At this time, Senator Abercrombie rose on a point of personal privilege as follows:

"Mr. President, I would like to commend, for the record, the entertainment that we were fortunate to have or privileged to have here on Opening Day.

"I understand at least one member of the Legislature saw fit to disparage the people that were here providing the entertainment and I must admit that I am somewhat biased because some of the people are personal friends of long-standing, but, nonetheless, I think that not only should we be grateful to them as Senators, but I'm sure every member of the audience who was here appreciated their professionalism and the tremendous opportunity that we have to be grateful to them as they are ambassadors, not just to everyone in Hawaii but as our ambassadors to the world.

"The people that were here, in particular, I have personal knowledge of, are not only very fine individuals in their own right, in terms of their personalities and their families, but they are among the hardest working people in the entire state in respect of making Hawaii a place that everyone wants to come to and return to. Thank you."

The President then remarked as follows:

"Members of the Senate, I would like to beg your indulgence for just a minute.

"Today is a kind of a sad yet happy day for me personally. One of my secretaries who has been with me for 14 years has accepted a position with the City...and I might add, at a much higher rate of pay. But, all in all, it saddens me to see her leave.

"I would like to recognize Cynthia Murata who is leaving us. Today is her last day and I wish her well."

The President then asked Cynthia Murata to stand and be recognized.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11: 52 o'clock a.m., on motion by Senator Kuroda, seconded by Senator Yee and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11: 30 o'clock a.m., Monday, January 26, 1981.