

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1566

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 29, 2007

RE: H.C.R. No. 81
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on International Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 81 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE-PROVINCE RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to request the Governor to take all necessary actions to establish a state-province affiliation with the Province of Cagayan by June 30, 2012.

Several concerned individuals testified in support of this concurrent resolution. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism provided comments.

Your Committee acknowledges the support of two individuals who worked very hard to develop the friendship between Hawaii and the Province of Cagayan, and dedicates this resolution to them: "Nana" Ines Viernes Cayaban, born in Claveria, Cagayan, and "Tata" Jesus Ochoa Cayaban.

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Your Committee has amended this concurrent resolution by:

- (1) Changing the title to, "REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE-PROVINCE RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES";
- (2) Clarifying that the existing relationship between Hawaii and the Province of Cagayan is a cultural bond, and not an existing governmental relationship; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 81, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Business Concerns in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 81, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on International
Affairs,



RIDA T.R. CABANILLA, Chair



