

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1953

Honolulu, Hawaii

Aj-012, 2007

RE: H.R. No. 173
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 Higher Education, to which was referred
H.R. No. 173 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE SPARK M. MATSUNAGA INSTITUTE
FOR PEACE, LOCATED WITHIN THE CENTER FOR POLICY STUDIES AT
THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA, TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP
TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF DESIGNATING HAWAII AS THE
"GENEVA OF THE PACIFIC", "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to request the Spark M.
Matsunaga Institute for Peace, located within the Center for
Policy Studies at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, to convene a
working group to explore the possibility of designating Hawaii as
the "Geneva of the Pacific."

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism
and a concerned individual submitted testimony in support of this
measure. The American Friends Service Committee supported this
resolution and requested an amendment to clarify the historical
precedent for Hawaii being a "Geneva of the Pacific".

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report,
your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No.
173, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form
attached hereto as H.R. No. 173, H.D. 1.

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Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Higher Education,

for



JERRY L. CHANG, Chair

