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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:      Wednesday, March 28, 2007  
TIME:      8:30 AM  
PLACE:     Conference Room 329  
            State Capitol  
            415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<b>HCR 314</b> <b>HR 249</b>	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 THUA THIEN-HUE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.	INT, TAC
<b>SCR 38</b> <b>(SSCR1045)</b>	REQUESTING ENACTMENT OF H.R. 901/S. 4070, "FILIPINO FAMILY REUNIFICATION", OR SIMILAR LEGISLATION THAT GRANTS THE PRIORITY ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO VETERANS' CHILDREN WITH APPROVED IMMIGRATION PETITIONS.	INT, PSM
<b>SCR 39</b> <b>(SSCR1043)</b>	REQUESTING ENACTMENT OF H.R. 4574/S. 57, "FILIPINO AMERICAN VETERANS EQUITY ACT OF 2007" OR SIMILAR LEGISLATION THAT PROVIDES FEDERAL VETERANS BENEFITS AND SERVICES TO THE WORLD WAR II FILIPINO AMERICAN VETERANS AND THE FILIPINO VETERANS.	INT, PSM
<b>SCR 47</b> <b>(SSCR1046)</b>	REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT S.57 AND H.R.760, ENTITLED THE FILIPINO VETERANS EQUITY ACT OF 2007.	INT, PSM
<b>SCR 41</b> <b>(SSCR1049)</b>	CONDEMNING THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES' FEE INCREASE.	INT, FIN
<b>HCR 191</b> <b>HR 149</b>	STRONGLY OPPOSING THE FEE INCREASES PROPOSED BY THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES.	INT, FIN
<b>HCR 308</b> <b>HR 427</b>	REQUESTING THAT THE ISSUANCE OF VISAS FOR FAMILY REUNIFICATION OF IMMIGRANT RELATIVES BE EXPEDITED.	INT, HSH

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<p><b>HCR 306</b> <b>HR 245</b></p>	<p>REQUESTING A WAIVER OR RELAXATION OF VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS.</p>	<p>INT, HSH</p>
<p><b>HCR 307</b> <b>HR 246</b></p>	<p>URGING THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO EASE RESTRICTIONS ON THE ISSUANCE TEMPORARY VISAS AND EXTEND THE STAY LIMIT TO ALLOW FOREIGN MEDIATORS AND PARTIES IN NEED OF MEDIATION SERVICES TO ENTER THE STATE OF HAWAII FOR THE PURPOSE OF FACILITATING COMMUNICATION AND NEGOTIATION BETWEEN PARTIES TO RESOLVE DISPUTES.</p>	<p>INT, JUD</p>
<p><b>HCR 315</b> <b>HR 250</b></p>	<p>EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION.</p>	<p>INT, HED/EDN</p>
<p><b>HCR 316</b> <b>HR 251</b></p>	<p>URGING THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES (WASC) TO INCREASE HAWAII'S MEMBERSHIP AND VOTES ON WASC TO STRENGTHEN THE STATE'S INPUT ON THE ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES IN THE REGION.</p>	<p>INT, HED/EDN</p>
<p><b>HCR 327</b></p>	<p>REQUESTING THE CENTER FOR PACIFIC ISLAND STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF PACIFIC ISLANDERS IN HAWAII.</p>	<p>INT, HED</p>
<p><b>HCR 215</b> <b>HR 173</b></p>	<p>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".</p>	<p>INT, HED</p>
<p><b>HCR 131</b> <b>HR 105</b></p>	<p>REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO SUPPORT THE ETHICAL RECRUITMENT OF NURSES.</p>	<p>INT, HLT</p>
<p><b>HCR 288</b> <b>HR 229</b></p>	<p>REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM, THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY, AND THE HAWAII VISITORS AND CONVENTION BUREAU TO CONDUCT ACTIVITIES TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF VISITORS FROM TAIWAN.</p>	<p>INT, TAC</p>
<p><b>HCR 290</b> <b>HR 231</b></p>	<p>URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENTER INTO A FREE TRADE AGREEMENT WITH TAIWAN.</p>	<p>INT, EDB</p>
<p><b>HCR 291</b> <b>HR 232</b></p>	<p>REQUESTING THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION TO CONFER "OBSERVER STATUS" UPON TAIWAN IN ORDER TO PERMIT TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION IN THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES.</p>	<p>INT, HLT</p>

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**HCR 334** REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC INT, EDB  
DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO DEVELOP AND  
IMPLEMENT A TRADE FAIR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR  
HAWAII BUSINESSES WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN A TRADE  
FAIR OR MISSION TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATION PRIOR TO  
EMBARKING ON FOREIGN TRADE FAIRS OR MISSIONS  
REPRESENTING THE STATE OF HAWAII.

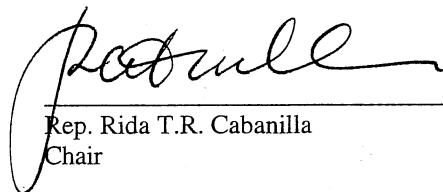
**HCR 335** REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC INT, EDB  
**HR 270** DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO REEVALUATE THE  
CURRENT STATUS OF HAWAII'S SISTER RELATIONSHIPS.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

PERSONS WISHING TO TESTIFY ARE REQUESTED TO SUBMIT 35 COPIES OF THEIR TESTIMONY AT LEAST 24 HOURS PRIOR TO THE HEARING TO: (1) THE COMMITTEE'S VICE CHAIR IN ROOM 322, STATE CAPITOL, OR (2) THE HOUSE SGT.-AT-ARMS TESTIMONY DROP OFF BOX IN THE TURNAROUND AREA OF THE CAPITOL BASEMENT PARKING LOT. TESTIMONY MAY ALSO BE FAXED IF LESS THAN 5 PAGES IN LENGTH TO THE HOUSE SGT.-AT-ARMS OFFICE AT: 586-6501 (OAHU) OR 1-800-535-3859 (NEIGHBOR ISLANDS). WHEN FAXING, PLEASE INDICATE TO WHOM THE TESTIMONY IS BEING SUBMITTED, THE DATE AND TIME OF THE HEARING, AND THE REQUIRED NO. OF COPIES THAT IS NEEDED FOR SUBMITTAL. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE COMMITTEE CLERK AT 586-6550.

IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL ASSISTANCE OR AUXILIARY AIDS AND/OR SERVICES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS OF THE STATE HOUSE (I.E., SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER, WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBILITY, OR PARKING DESIGNATED FOR THE DISABLED), PLEASE CONTACT THE COMMITTEE CLERK AT LEAST 24 HOURS PRIOR TO THE HEARING SO ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE. PROMPT REQUESTS SUBMITTED HELP TO ENSURE THE AVAILABILITY OF QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS AND APPROPRIATE ACCOMMODATIONS.

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