

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1956 -08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Aug 25, 2008

RE: S.C.R. No. 208
S.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Tourism & Culture, to which was referred
S.C.R. No. 208, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING, ACKNOWLEDGING, AND
EXPRESSING GRATITUDE TO THE PEOPLE OF KALAUPAPA AND THEIR
FAMILIES FOR THEIR GREAT SACRIFICES AND HARDSHIPS AS A RESULT
OF THEIR FORCED ISOLATION, WHICH AT THE TIME WAS BELIEVED TO
PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH, AND APOLOGIZING TO THE PEOPLE OF
KALAUPAPA AND THEIR FAMILIES FOR ANY HARSH RESTRICTIONS THAT
CAUSED THEM UNDUE PAIN AS THE RESULT OF FORMER GOVERNMENT
POLICIES SURROUNDING LEPROSY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to recognize,
acknowledge, and express gratitude to the people of Kalaupapa and
their families for making great sacrifices and enduring much
hardship as a result of their forced isolation, for rebuilding
their lives with pride and dignity, for overcoming prejudice and
discrimination, and for consistently reaching out to others in
need. This measure also expresses regret for past actions
against, and treatment of, past and current residents of
Kalaupapa.

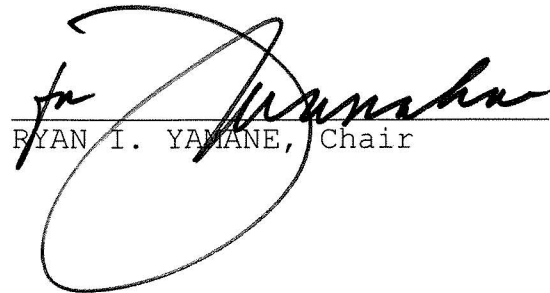
The Senator representing the Sixth Senatorial District,
Department of Health, Ka `Ohana O Kalaupapa, Kawaihapai Ohana, and
numerous concerned individuals supported this measure.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Tourism & Culture that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 208, S.D. 1, and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Tourism & Culture,


RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



