

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2896

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 2008

RE: S.C.R. No. 57

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.C.R.
No. 57 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT PAHOA HIGH AND
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DEDICATE ITS GYMNASIUM IN HONOR OF FORMER
REPRESENTATIVE HELENE H. HALE, BY CHANGING THE NAME OF THE
GYMNASIUM TO "HELENE H. HALE GYMNASIUM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request that Pahoa High and
Intermediate school dedicate and rename its gymnasium in honor of
Representative Helene H. Hale.

Testimony in support of the measure was submitted by the
Hawai'i County Council, the Ka'u/Kea'au/Pahoa Complex Area, and four
individuals.

Your Committee finds that former Hawaii State Representative
Helene H. Hale is widely admired as a strong advocate for improved
mental health care, sustainable development, and world peace. She
was the first African-American elected to office in Hawaii and the
first woman to hold an executive position in local government
since Queen Liliuokalani. Representative Hale served as a
delegate to the 1978 Constitutional Convention, between 1980 and
1994, served a total of ten years on the Hawaii County Council,
and in 2000 won election to the State House of Representatives
where she served as the Chair of the Committee on International
Affairs. Her accomplishments are many and varied, and she has
left an enduring legacy of her commitment to the people of Hawaii,
particularly the Big Island, including through assisting in the

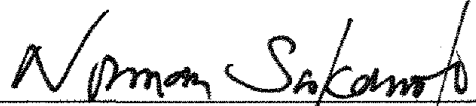
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establishment of the Merrie Monarch Festival. Your Committee determines that the dedication and renaming of the gymnasium at Pahoa High and Intermediate School in her honor is a fitting tribute to her years of dedicated service and commitment to the State of Hawaii.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 57 and recommends its adoption.

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



NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SCR 57	Committee Referral: EDU	Date: 2-21-08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SAKAMOTO, Norman (C)	X			
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)	X			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				X
GABBARD, Mike	X			
HEE, Clayton				X
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				X
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X			
SLOM, Sam	X			
TOTAL	5	0	0	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes