



OAHU FILIPINO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Unit Organizations

Alliance of Residential
Carehome Administrators
Aloha Saguibsib Cultural
Foundation, Inc.
Annac ti Bado iti Hawaii
Annac ti Batac
Annac ti Caoayan 2002
Annak ti Kailokuan iti
America
Annak ti Sinaít iti Hawaii
Asingan Organization of
Hawaii
Badoc-Pinili Aid
Association of Hawaii
Banna Association of
Hawaii
Bannatiran Association of
Hawaii
Batangas Association of
Hawaii
Bulacan Circle of Hawaii
Caballeros de Dimasalang
Cabugao Sons & Daughters
of Hawaii
Candonians of Hawaii
Caoayan ISAH
Cavitenians of Hawaii
Dingras Association of
Hawaii
Divine Word College
Alumni Association
FilAm Sports USA
Fil American Citizens
League
Filipino Business Women's
Club
Filipino Nurses Organization
of Hawaii
Filipino Women's Civic
Club
GUMIL Hawaii
GUMIL Oahu
Hawaii Filipino Women's
Club
Hawaii Council of Bilingual
Educators
ILAH
Ilocos Norteniens of
America
INCAT Alumni Association
of Hawaii
International Filipino
Society of Hawaii
Kalayaan Phil.-Hi. Int.
La Union Circle of
Hawaii
Lingayen Gulf Club of
Hawaii

TESTIMONY IN STRONG SUPPORT OF HCR 22 HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

March 20, 2008, 9 a.m. | Conference Room 309

Measure Title: PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JUNE 2008 AS FILIPINO VETERANS APPRECIATION MONTH.

To: Hon. Rep. Cindy Evans, Chair
Hon. Rep. Sharon E. Har, Vice Chair;
Hon. Members of the House Committee on Public
Safety and Military Affairs

From: Franklin Borromeo, President
Oahu Filipino Community Council

My name is Franklin Borromeo, President of the Oahu
Filipino Community Council (OFCC). OFCC is composed of
62 member organizations on Oahu. Our Council's mission is
to improve the quality of life for Hawaii's Filipinos, in order
for our communities to make positive contributions to the
State of Hawaii, where we are grateful to have had the
privilege to live, work, prosper, and raise our families over
the last one hundred years.

The Oahu Filipino Community Council strongly
supports this bill to designate June as Filipino Veterans
Appreciation Month. Many Filipino World War II veterans
and their family are longtime members of the OFCC, which
passed a resolution to advocate for Filipino World War II
veterans equity at our statewide annual convention in June
2006.

This bill will educate people across the generations
about historical contributions and lessons of social justice.
Please support this bill.

Sincerely,

Franklin Borromeo, President
Oahu Filipino Community Council

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Unit Organizations

Magsingal Association of
Hawaii
Narvacan/San Antonio Club of
Hawaii
Nueva Vizcaya Association of
Hawaii
Pasuquinos Association of
Hawaii
Philippine Cultural Foundation
Philippine Nurses
Association of Hawaii
Piddig Association of Hawaii
Sanchez Mira Association of
Hawaii
San Manuel Pangasinan
Association of Hawaii
San Nicolaneos USA
San Nicolas Goodwill
Foundation
San Nicolas Teachers of
Hawaii
Santa Lucia Association of
Hawaii
Sarrat Association of Hawaii
Sarrat International Inc.
Sinaít Nt. High School Alumni
of Hawaii
Solsona of Hawaii
Tarlac Mutual Club of Hawaii
TCP
Kalihi Ballroom, Inc.
Sadiri ti San Nicolas iti Hawaii
Samar Leyte Association of
Hawaii
Sampaguita/Sunflower Club of
Hawaii
San Juan Association of
Hawaii
San Nicolas Nat. High
Santa Marians of Hawaii
School Alumni
Santa Nicolas Nat. High
School Bingao Annex
Tagalog Association of Oahu
United Bacarreños of Hawaii
United Group of Home
Operators
United Pangasinan of Hawaii
United Urdaneta Club of
Hawaii
United Vintarinians of Hawaii
Vigan Association of Hawaii

2007-2008 OFCC OFFICERS & BOARD President: Franklin Borromeo | 1st Vice President: Cirvalina Longboy | 2nd Vice
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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HCR22 & HR22

I support HCR22 & HR22, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JUNE 2008 AS FILIPINO VETERANS APPRECIATION MONTH, as these resolutions recognize the Filipino Veterans who defended our Country.

The Filipino soldiers and scouts helped to reestablish United States authority in the Pacific and protected our positioning against enemy forces during World War II.

The Filipino community would most certainly be proud of this fine recognition and per capita, Hawaii has the highest Filipino population.

Dr. Leolani Oyama
Private Citizen and Resident of Hawaii

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After the attack on Pearl Harbor, over 200,000 Filipino Soldiers were called to serve for the U.S. Military.

Our Filipino soldiers and scouts helped turn the war in favor of the United States and together with U.S. Forces protected our military striking ability in the Pacific during World War II.

The people of Hawaii would love to honor our outstanding Filipino Veterans, many of whom are in their 80's or 90's.

I ask that you pass these resolutions to recognize and honor a part of U.S. Military History, our Filipino Veterans.

Josephine Besario
Resident of Hawaii

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