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STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON HCR 22, HR 22, HCR 44, HR 44

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OFFICE OF VETERANS SERVICES

Chair Cabanilla, Vice-Chair Awana and members of the Committee, I am Mark Moses, Director of the Office of Veterans Services (OVS), and regret I cannot appear in person at this hearing. The Office supports the over-all concept of HCR 22, HR 22, HCR 44, HR 44 provided that passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities as indicated in our Executive Supplemental Budget Request.

The bravery, dedication, and sacrifices of the Filipino World War II soldiers called to service to help defend their homeland in the face of invading Imperial Japanese Forces is well documented.

Proclaiming an appreciation month in honor of these brave veterans is fitting and well deserved.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.