

**TESTIMONY**

**BY**

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**TO THE**

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL and MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**ON SENATE BILL 2015, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION for the  
PACIFIC AVIATION MUSEUM, PEARL HARBOR.**

**JANUARY 28, 2008**

**Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:**

**My name is Brigadier General, Ret, Irwin K. Cockett Jr and I serve as a member on the Pacific Aviation Museum Board of Directors.**

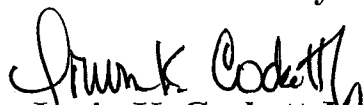
**I am also a veteran of the Korean War and flew three (3) tours as an Army Helicopter pilot in Vietnam.**

**The museum has made great strides in developing into a World Class Museum with the grant-in-aid funds provided by the Legislator in 2004 and the increased number of visitors. Additional funds are now needed to continue this good work which preserves the rich history of Military Aviation in the Pacific.**

**Most noteworthy, is the vast number of students that regularly visit this bit of history with their teachers and depart with a greater knowledge of military defense forces and war in the Pacific.**

**I strongly support this bill.**

**This concludes my testimony. Are there any questions?**

  
**Irwin K. Cockett Jr**  
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