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CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

March 10, 2008

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
Senator, State of Hawaii
State Capital Room 218
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator,

I would like to express my whole-hearted thanks to you for your tireless contributions to the development of the Korean community in Hawaii, and in particular, for your timely initiative to come up with the Senate Concurrent Resolution 51 "Urging the United States Congress to Support the Korea-United States Free Trade Agreement." I believe that your effort will be surely very instrumental in gaining the approval of the Korean-US FTA from the US Congress in the near future.

With due respect, however, I would like to draw your attention to some points that need to be corrected in your draft resolution.

The first thing that I would like to pinpoint is on the title of my country. The official title of the country is the Republic of Korea, as opposed to South Korea; therefore, you are advised to call the country the **Republic of Korea** rather than South Korea through the draft resolution.

The second is that "the United States Waiver program" in line 30 and 31 on the second page of your draft resolution can be much clearer if "Visa" can be added in between the United States and Waiver Program which will read as follow: **the United States Visa Waiver Program.**

It would be highly appreciated if you could kindly care to reflect what was mentioned in the above when looking into the draft resolution for further action, and once



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again, I thank you for your warmest consideration for Korea and the Korean community in Hawaii.

Please accept, Senator, my best regards for your continued success and good health.
Mahalo.

A stylized handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several fluid, overlapping strokes.

DAE-HYUN KANG

Consul General