

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 26 2010

RE: S.B. No. 2740

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Economic Development and Technology, to which was referred S.B. No. 2740 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SAINT DAMIEN DE VEUSTER DAY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reflect Saint Damien's recent confirmation of sainthood, and mark May 10 of each year as Saint Damien de Veuster Day in Hawaii.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Lieutenant Governor, the Diocese of Honolulu, Parents and Children Together, and Saint Damien Boy Scouts.

Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that on May 10, 1873, Father Jozef Damien de Veuster arrived in Kalaupapa to meet the spiritual needs of those suffering from Hansen's disease and other members of the community. Until his death on April 15, 1889, he served in many different capacities, including doctor, carpenter, legal advocate and grave digger. His legacy lives on and Damien remains a spiritual hero and an icon of love, compassion, courage, humility and humanitarian service.

On October 11, 2009, Father Damien was canonized as Saint Damien by His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI in Rome, and was granted a memorial feast day to be celebrated annually on May 10. Your



Committee is strongly supportive of this measure to honor Saint Damien.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development and Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2740 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development and Technology,

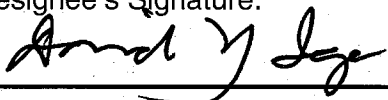


CAROL FUKUNAGA, Chair



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Record of Votes
Committee on Economic Development and Technology
EDT

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2740	Committee Referral: EDT	Date: 2/19/2010		
<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
FUKUNAGA, Carol (C)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)				✓
HEE, Clayton				✓
IGE, David Y.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	3			2
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