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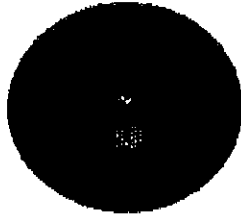
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**House Intentional Affairs Committee
The Honorable Chair, Representative Karen Awana,
The Honorable Vice Chair, Representative Mark Hashem,
And members,**

Our reason for writing today is to express our strong support for the HCR 147 urging the United States Congress to approve the United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement submitted before the House Committee on International Affairs.

As you are well aware, Korea has risen from war-ravaged poverty to become the 11th largest economy in the world. Korea is the 7th largest trading partner of the United States with over \$80 billion in annual trade volume, the 6th largest market for U.S. agricultural products and the 3rd largest destination for U.S. foreign direct investment in the Asia Pacific region. Under these circumstances, we believe the KORUS FTA is a good deal and is expected to give both the United States and Korea tremendous mutual benefits, with virtually every U.S. state having a stake in the expanded bilateral trade and investment relationship.


Hawaii also stands to gain immensely from this landmark agreement, as the FTA will boost key exports, expand access to the Korean market and generate new business and employment opportunities for the state's companies. As of 2008, Korea ranked as Hawaii's 2th largest export market for goods, with exports totaling nearly \$110 million. In addition, Korea is already a growing market for Hawaii's manufactured goods, as the state's exports to Korea have doubled since 2007.

In addition, the KORUS FTA bears significance for us as Korean American citizens and constituents of your district. As you may already know, over two million people of Korean heritage now live throughout the United States. For more than 100 years, Korean Americans have contributed to nearly every facet of our country from government to business to churches and civic organizations. Therefore, efforts in State Congress for the early ratification of the KORUS FTA are very important to us. We strongly believe that the Korea-United States FTA is an opportunity not to be missed for our mutual benefits.

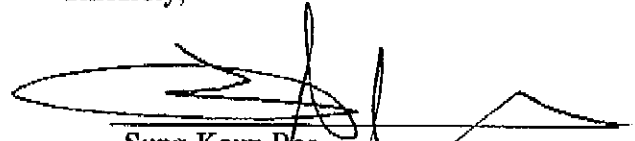
For all these reasons, we look to you, as our elected Representative, to take an active role in voicing the heartfelt passion and support for the HCR 147 urging the United States Congress to approve the Korea-United States Free Trade Agreement the Korean American community in strong support of the KORUS FTA, so that it can provide another good momentum to bring the United States Congress's attention to the FTA

Once again, thank you for your kind attention and support for this matter and we hope today's hearing would produce a fruitful result for both the United States and Korea.

Sincerely,



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