
HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING A DRAFT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION
BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE LEAGUE OF CITIES OF THE
PHILIPPINES.

1 WHEREAS, the promotion of international friendship and
2 understanding is essential to achieving lasting peace and
3 prosperity for citizens of all countries, including the United
4 States; and

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6 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii has a particular interest in
7 maintaining historical ties while promoting friendship and
8 goodwill with the Philippines since Hawaii is home to a
9 substantial Filipino community whose members make significant
10 contributions to the State's economy and culture and who
11 maintain close cultural, financial, and familial ties with
12 relatives, friends, and colleagues in the Philippines; and

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14 WHEREAS, Hawaii's state and local governments often face
15 policy matters, including issues regarding land use,
16 conservation of environmental and natural resources, use of
17 alternative and renewable energy sources, water and sewage
18 management, juvenile justice, education, public health, mass
19 transportation, housing, and tourism that are also of concern to
20 the local governments of the Philippines; and

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22 WHEREAS, the League of Cities of the Philippines is the
23 official organization of Philippine cities created by the Eighth
24 Congress of the Philippines under Republic Act 7160, also known
25 as the Local Government Code, on October 10, 1991; and

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27 WHEREAS, for more than twenty years, the League of Cities
28 of the Philippines has been a vital force in protecting the
29 interests of cities and has served as the unified voice of
30 cities advocating policies for continuing genuine local
31 autonomy; and



1 WHEREAS, the League of Cities of the Philippines has also
2 remained actively committed to seeking opportunities locally and
3 internationally for cooperation in the fields of economics,
4 trade, culture, education, health, tourism, and environmental
5 protection for the purposes of economic and social development
6 of cities in the Philippines; and
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8 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii and the League of Cities of
9 the Philippines share the common goal of fostering strong and
10 effective local governments by developing relationships to share
11 knowledge and capacities; and
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13 WHEREAS, in the furtherance of this goal, the State of
14 Hawaii and the League of Cities of the Philippines have drafted
15 a Memorandum of Understanding and Cooperation to reinforce the
16 political, social, and economic relationships between its
17 parties; now, therefore,
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19 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
20 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
21 of 2012, that the Legislature recognizes the Memorandum of
22 Understanding and Cooperation between the State of Hawaii and
23 the League of Cities of the Philippines and acknowledges the
24 importance of implementing practical strategies to fulfill its
25 objectives; and
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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
28 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the Republic of
29 the Philippines; United States Embassy Manila; Governor of the
30 State of Hawaii; Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu; Mayor
31 of the County of Hawaii; Mayor of the County of Kauai; Mayor of
32 the County of Maui; Director of Business, Economic Development,
33 and Tourism; Executive Director of the Hawaii Tourism Authority;
34 Department of Interior and Local Government of the Philippines;
35 President of the League of Cities of the Philippines; President
36 of the Filipino Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii; and Chair of the
37 Honolulu Filipino Junior Chamber of Commerce.
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