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Representative Marilyn B. Lee Remarks on HR12, HCR18

3/27/2012

Chair Espero and Vice Chair Kidani,

I would like to offer my comments in support of HR12 and its companion bill HCR18, REQUESTING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF THE NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MUSEUM TO SECURE A PERMANENT HOME IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL.

As mentioned in the resolution, there are many museums dedicated to various historical movements and events, but no national museum exists that is dedicated solely to women's history. Establishing a presence near National Mall would ensure that women's historical sacrifices and contributions remain visible and relevant to our younger generations.

On behalf of the Women's Caucus, I heartily endorse these resolutions and urge your support of them as well. A National Women's History Museum at our national's capital would ensure that the struggles and contributions of strong women leaders in our history will not be forgotten, but proudly acknowledged.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marilyn B. Lee State Representative

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Testimony in Support of HCR 18

To:

Senator Will Espero, Chair

Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations and

Military Affairs

From: Catherine Betts, Esq., Executive Director, Hawaii State Commission on the

Status of Women

Re: Testimony in Support of HCR 18

On behalf of the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women, I would like to thank the committee for this opportunity to provide testimony on this important issue. I would like to express my strong support of this resolution requesting that Hawaii's congressional delegation support the efforts of the National Women's History Museum.

As the resolution notes, there are many museums dedicated to various historical movements and events, but no national museum exists that is dedicated solely to women's history. Establishing a presence near National Mall would ensure that women's historical sacrifices and contributions remain visible and relevant to our younger generations. The Commission strongly urges this Committee to pass HCR 18.

Thank you for this opportunity,

Catherine Betts, Esq.