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Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs

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TESTIMONY OF PRESIDENT SOULEE STROUD

SCR109/SR53 HONORING UNITED STATES PRESIDENT GROVER CLEVELAND FOR HIS SUPPORT OF THE HAWAIIAN MONARCHY AND EFFORTS TO PRESERVE THE HAWAIIAN KINGDOM, BY REQUESTING THE STATE OF HAWAII, CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, COUNTY OF MAUI, COUNTY OF KAUAI AND COUNTY OF HAWAII TO NAME A STATE OR COUNTY PROPERTY IN HIS NAME, AND REQUESTING THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS TO COMMISSION A WORK OF ART, WHETHER VISUAL OR LITERARY, IN HIS NAME

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS and
SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, GOVERNMENT
OPERATIONS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS**

Wednesday, March 28, 2012; 3:15 pm; Room 224

Aloha Chairman Galuteria of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, Chairman Espero of the Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations and Military Affairs, and members of the joint committee.

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs is pleased to support this resolution just as we did twenty years ago in establishing a stone monument to President Grover Cleveland in remembrance of his fair treatment toward the Hawaiian Kingdom and the kind and respectful attention provided Queen Liliuokalani when she was in Washington, D.C.

It was his action that assured there is no treaty of annexation, he also addressed the Congress against the taking of Hawaii, and sent an investigator to document the situation. James Blount's investigation is an invaluable historical record of America's duplicity. It was Cleveland's successor, President William McKinley, who successfully used an illegal tactic to annex Hawaii.

Mahalo nui.

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