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The Honorable Rep. Ken Ito, Vice Chair

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TESTIMONY ON SB614 SD1 RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS OF ART

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My name is Dayton M. Nakanelua and I am the State Director of the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO (UPW). The UPW is the exclusive representative for approximately 14,000 public employees, which include blue collar, non-supervisory employees in Bargaining Unit 1 and institutional, health and correctional employees in Bargaining Unit 10, in the State of Hawaii and various counties. The UPW also represents about 1,500 members of the private sector.

The UPW supports SB614 SD1 that requires the comptroller and the state foundation on culture and the arts to commission permanent works of art to honor the late U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye and the late U.S. Representative Patsy T. Mink and appropriates funds.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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TO
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INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND CULTURE AND THE ARTS
ON**

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S. B. 614, SD 1

Chair Takai and members of the Committee, I am Eva Laird Smith, executive director of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. I am pleased to support the intent of S. B. 614, SD 1, provided its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive Budget.

The contributions of the Honorable Daniel K. Inouye to the people of Hawaii and to Hawaii's development as a vibrant and respected state in the nation merits more than a single effort to memorialize him. The late Senator has earned a place in the hearts of the people of Hawaii. The commissioning a work of art to honor his legacy and outstanding contributions to our state and our people will inspire generations to come. It is a most fitting tribute that will last in perpetuity.

The Honorable Congresswoman Patsy T. Mink also dedicated her life to representing Hawaii in the United States Congress. It is fitting that we honor her memory as well.

The State Foundation's Collections Policy for the Art in Public Places Collection stipulates that the SFCA cannot initiate

commemorative works of art, including memorials. However, S.B. 614 will make it possible for our agency to respond to a mandate from the Legislature. The State Foundation on Culture and the Arts will conform to its Collections Policy for commissioning works of art and work alongside an art advisory committee that will recommend the type of artwork, selection of artist, and a suitable site and location in consultation with a three-member committee to be selected by the Governor, Senate President, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives..

Funds for memorializing works of art need to be appropriated at \$225,000 each. A resolution has been drafted calling upon Hawaii's Congressional delegation to seek Federal funds to match the State's appropriation. The works of art will be set for completion for fiscal years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015.

The State Foundation's Works of Art Special Fund currently operates with a cash balance of \$2.5 million at any given year. These funds are designated for commissioning works of art raised through construction of a building. In the case of commemorative works of art, construction is usually not part of the process.

We acknowledge the lasting legacy to our beloved state by the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye and the late United States Representative Patsy T. Mink. It is our fervent wish to honor them in perpetuity.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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