

Honolulu, Hawaii

MARCH 10, 2016

RE: H.C.R. No. 26

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2016  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 26 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII SISTER-STATE COMMITTEE TO EVALUATE AND DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE STATE OF GOA IN THE COUNTRY OF INDIA AND FORWARD ITS RECOMMENDATION TO THE LEGISLATURE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 229-3, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, FOR FURTHER ACTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

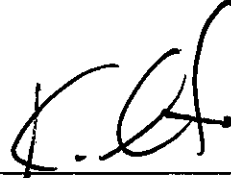
The purpose of this measure is to request the Hawaii Sister-State Committee to evaluate and develop recommendations to initiate a sister-state relationship between Hawaii and Goa, Republic of India, for economic, social, cultural, educational, and environmental benefits.

United States Representative Tulsi Gabbard; Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Gandhi International Institute for Peace, Hawaii; Living Life Source Foundation; and several concerned individuals supported this measure. The Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies opposed this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 26 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Veterans,  
Military, & International  
Affairs, & Culture and the  
Arts,



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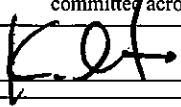
KEN ITO, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

HSCR 1019-16

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts**

| Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HCR 26</b>  | Committee Referral: <b>VMI, FIN</b> | Date: <b>02/08/2016</b> |      |         |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.   |                                     |                         |      |         |
| The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold<br><input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) |                                     |                         |      |         |
| VMI Members   | Ayes                                | Ayes (WR)               | Nays | Excused |
| 1. ITO, Ken (C)   | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 2. TOKIOKA, James Kunane (VC)   | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 3. BROWER, Tom  | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 4. CACHOLA, Romy M.   | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 5. CHOY, Isaac W.   | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 6. DeCOITE, Lynn  | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 7. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.   | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 8. KONG, Sam Satoru   | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 9. OHNO, Takashi  | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 10. ONISHI, Richard H.K.  | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 11. TSUJI, Cliff  | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 12. WOODSON, Justin H.  | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 13. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani   | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| 14. WARD, Gene  | ✓                                   |                         |      |         |
| <b>TOTAL (14)</b>   | <b>14</b>                           |                         |      |         |
| The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted<br>If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.<br><div style="margin-left: 100px;">committed acronym(s)</div>  |                                     |                         |      |         |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u></u>  |                                     |                         |      |         |
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