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**TESTIMONY OF
THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, CULTURE AND THE ARTS
March 21, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in Rm. 224**

S. C. R. 76

**REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE
ARTS TO COMMISSION A MONUMENT TO PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA**

Chair Taniguchi and members of the Committee, I am Jonathan Johnson, Executive Director of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (SFCA), and I am grateful for the opportunity to provide comments on S.C.R. 76.

The SFCA supports the concept to commission a monument for President Barack Obama. If it is the desire of the Legislature, the SFCA will form an Art Advisory Committee (AAC) following the SFCA's Collection Management Policy for all new works of art. AAC's assist with the selection of location, defining the medium and theme of the work of art, recommending an artist, and review of design proposals.

SFCA supports the future appropriation of funding to implement the proposed intent, provided doing so does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive budget.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on this matter.