

Honolulu, Hawaii
FEB 15, 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1818
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1818 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BROTHER JOSEPH DUTTON DAY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish April 27 of each year as Brother Joseph Dutton Day to honor the hard work and dedication of Brother Joseph Dutton in helping residents of Kalaupapa.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health and five individuals.

Your Committee finds that Brother Joseph Dutton arrived in Kalaupapa in July of 1886 and assisted Father Damien with the administration and caring of the residents of Kalaupapa in the last years of Father Damien's life. Your Committee further finds that after Father Damien's death, Brother Joseph Dutton continued Father Damien's activities in service to the thousands of Hansen's Disease patients living in the Kalaupapa settlement. This measure recognizes and honors the life of Brother Joseph Dutton by establishing April 27 of each year as a special day of observation.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2044, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1818, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1818, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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



CEDRIC ASUEGA GATES, Chair



