

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2088-22

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 19 , 2022

RE: S.C.R. No. 181
S.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 Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 181, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTS THE COUNTY OF HAWAII TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE CREATION OF A MARSHALLESE COMMUNITY CENTER IN HAWAIIAN OCEAN VIEW ESTATES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the County of Hawaii to conduct a feasibility study on the creation of a Marshallese Community Center in Hawaiian Ocean View Estates on the island of Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one member of the Hawai'i County Council, the COFA Alliance National Network, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the Marshallese diaspora includes over seven thousand migrants residing in Hawaii, with fourteen thousand residing in Hawaiian Ocean View Estates on the island of Hawaii. Your Committee further finds that the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic disproportionately impacted Pacific Islanders across the State, including populations in rural areas where there is limited and inequitable access to water, electricity, and health care. The report requested by this measure will enable policy makers to better determine the feasibility of establishing a



Marshallese Community Center in Hawaiian Ocean View Estates to assist the Marshallese community by providing various services, including group activities, public information and assistance, and social support.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 181, S.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Health, Human
Services, & Homelessness,



RYAN I. YAMANE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness

Bill/Resolution No.: SCR 181, SDI	Committee Referral: HHH, FIN	Date: 4/14/22		
<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 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HHH Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)	/			
2. TAM, Adrian K. (VC)	/			
3. GATES, Cedric Asuega				/
4. HAR, Sharon E.				/
5. KAPELA, Jeanne	/			
6. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	/			
7. WARD, Gene	/			
TOTAL (7)	5			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. _____ committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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