

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3586

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 37
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 37 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE
NAMING OF A UNITED STATES NAVY SURFACE COMBATANT SHIP AFTER
FIREMAN SECOND CLASS AND CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR
RECIPIENT TELESFORO TRINIDAD,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to express support
for the naming of a United States Navy surface combatant ship
after fireman second class and Congressional Medal of Honor
recipient Telesforo Trinidad.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from two individuals.

Your Committee finds that multiple members of Congress,
including Representative Ed Case of Hawaii and Representative Sara
Jacobs of California, signed a letter to the Acting Secretary of
the Navy in strong support of naming a Navy surface combatant ship
after United States Navy Fireman Second Class Telesforo Trinidad,
who received the Congressional Medal of Honor in 1915. Trinidad
earned the Medal of Honor for showing extraordinary heroism in the
line of duty in response to boiler explosions aboard the USS San
Diego that occurred when the ship was in the Gulf of California on
January 21, 1915; more specifically, Trinidad brought two



crewmembers to safety despite being physically injured by the explosions. Additionally, one hundred seven years later, Trinidad continues to hold the distinction of being the only Asian American and only Filipino American in the United States Navy to have received a Medal of Honor. Your Committee believes that the naming of a Navy ship in honor of Trinidad would demonstrate the Navy's leadership and commitment to diversity, equality, and inclusion amid current racial tensions and unwarranted violence against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders nationwide.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 37, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 37, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,
Intergovernmental, and Military
Affairs,



CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-First Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs
PSM

Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SCR 37</i>	Committee Referral: <i>PSM</i>	Date: <i>3/29/2022</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
DECOITE, Lynn (VC)				✓
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	<i>4</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>1</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em; margin-top: 10px;"> <i>Rosalyn H Baker</i> </div>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes