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House Committee on Economic
Development and Technology
Hawaii State Capitol
415 S Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Attn: Chair Greggor Iligan
Vice Chair Ikaika Hussey

Dear Chair Iligan, Vice Chair Hussey, and Committee Members,

I am writing in support of the proposed Senate Concurrent Resolution S.C.R. No. 195 aimed at supporting and encouraging a broader relationship between the State of Hawaii and the Kingdom of Sweden.

Although geographically located on opposite sides of the world, Hawaii and Sweden share common values and common challenges. I believe broader diplomatic ties and exploring a deeper engagement between Hawaii and Sweden will be beneficial and potentially create more resilient, sustainable, and prosperous societies for both regions.

Hawaii and Sweden share many areas of interest as expressed by S.C.R. No. 195. In particular, there is a shared commitment to clean energy and sustainable societies, education, research and innovation, and to foster economic development and prosperity for our respective societies. With the shared values and interests between the State and Sweden, S.C.R. No. 195 represents a valuable opportunity to deepen diplomatic ties and explore economic and knowledge exchange between our two regions.

I encourage the Committee to support S.C.R. No. 195 and help build a stronger, more collaborative future between Hawaii and Sweden.

Very truly yours,

Anders G. O. Nervell
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