

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1743

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2023

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RE: H.C.R. No. 33

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2023  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Culture, Arts & International Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 33 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING NOVEMBER 22, 2023, AS "KIMCHI DAY" IN THE STATE OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to designate November 22, 2023, as "Kimchi Day" in Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Korean American Coalition of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that 2023 is the one hundred twentieth anniversary of the arrival of the first Korean immigrant workers in Hawaii who, together with their descendants and the approximately fifty thousand residents in Hawaii who consider themselves ethnically Korean, have greatly contributed to the vibrant culture of the State. Your Committee further finds that kimchi is a traditional Korean dish with a long, rich history; health benefits; and traditional preparation process that has been recognized as an intangible cultural heritage of humanity by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Your Committee additionally finds that November 22 represents the eleven major ingredients in kimchi and the twenty-two health benefits of the food and that Hawaii should join other

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jurisdictions, including South Korea, California, and Virginia, in celebrating "National Kimchi Day".

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 33 and recommends its adoption.

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



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ADRIAN K. TAM, Chair



