

Higher Education Committee
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Testimony in support HR 50
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Chair McKelvey, Vice Chair Hashem and members of the
committee

I am representing, Filipino-Americans Advocacy Network in strong support of HR 50 Requesting the establishment of a Philippines-Hawai'i Tourism College Student Exchange Program Compact. FAN advocates for equity and education. Filipinos are now the second largest group in the state and the public schools. They are adequately represented among the Community Colleges and most under-represented at Manoa. Providing opportunities for student exchange programs will benefit UH students and students at Ilocos Sur Community College and the University of Northern Philippines. It will also benefit tourism and other economic activities.

We request you approve HR 50.