

THIRTY-NINTH DAY

Wednesday, April 1, 2015

The House of Representatives of the Twenty-Eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2015, convened at 12:05 o'clock p.m., with Vice Speaker Mizuno presiding.

The invocation was delivered in song by Kahuku High School's "We the People" Team, after which the Roll was called showing all Members present with the exception of Representatives Har, Matsumoto and Tupola, who were excused.

By unanimous consent, reading and approval of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Eighth Day was deferred.

INTRODUCTIONS

The following introductions were made to the Members of the House:

Representative Choy introduced from the UH Manoa Graduate Student Organization: Michelle Tigchelaar, President; Jonathan Dial and Nick Chagnon, Advocacy Co-Chairs; Bret Polopolus-Meredith, Employment and Compensation Chair; Camilla Ortega, Newsletter Chair; Kristine Jan Espinoza, Graduate Student Legislative Fellow; and other members and graduate students: Penn Pantumsinchai, Sanna King, Valerie "Pua" Hookano Jeter, Pablo Wegesend, Eg Hoogland, Ryan Tolman and Keith Scott.

Representative McKelvey introduced former Representative Jerry Chang.

Representative Pouha introduced his wife, Kieiki Pouha, and his baby.

ORDER OF THE DAY

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS
(FLOOR PRESENTATIONS)

The following resolution (H.R. No. 175) was announced by the Clerk and the following action taken:

H.R. No. 175, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING AND CONGRATULATING TEAM HOKU FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO FOR THEIR WIN IN THE 2015 MICROSOFT IMAGINE CUP PITCH VIDEO CHALLENGE – IN THE GAMES CATEGORY," was jointly offered by Representatives Tsuji, Nakashima, Onishi and San Buenaventura.

Representative Tsuji moved that H.R. No. 175 be adopted, seconded by Representative Choy.

Representative Tsuji congratulated University of Hilo's Team Hoku, winners of the 2015 Microsoft Imagine Cup Competition, and recognized them for their intelligence and industriousness.

Representative Choy congratulated and introduced honorees seated on the Floor of the House:

Mr. Brian Hall, Business Planner and Video Coordinator;
Mr. Casey Pearring, Art Lead, Gameplay Designer and backup Coder;
Mr. Theodore DeRego, Lead Programmer;
Mr. Lucas DeRego, Designer and Program Coder, who couldn't be here today; and
Mr. Keith Edwards, UH Hilo Associate Professor and Faculty Advisor.

Representative Tsuji then introduced guests who were seated in the gallery:

Ms. Misty Carmichael, Brian Hall's wife; and

Mr. Jerry Chang, Director, Office of University Relations, University of Hawaii at Hilo.

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.R. No. 175 was adopted, with Representatives Har, Matsumoto, Tokioka and Tupola being excused.

The following resolution (H.R. No. 176) was announced by the Clerk and the following action taken:

H.R. No. 176, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING KAHUKU HIGH SCHOOL WE THE PEOPLE: THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION TEAM FOR THEIR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND ACHIEVEMENT IN WINNING THE 2015 STATE COMPETITION," was jointly offered by Representatives Pouha, Fukumoto Chang, Har, Hashem, Ito, Kawakami, Kong, Lee, LoPresti, Matsumoto, Takayama, Takumi, Yamane, Yamashita and Creagan.

Representative Pouha moved that H.R. No. 176 be adopted, seconded by Representative Ichiyama.

Representative Pouha recognized and honored Kahuku High School's We the People Team, for the great work that they do, and congratulated and introduced honorees seated on the Floor of the House:

Ms. Victoria Countryman;
Ms. Kayli Clifford;
Mr. Ocean Eale;
Mr. Tian Ford; and
Ms. Sasha Yamada.

Representative Ichiyama recognized and introduced additional guests who were seated in the gallery:

We the People Team Members: Arenui Anderson, Christian Chownen, Emma Houghton, Daelynn Hunter, Hannah Miller, Isaiah Spring, Grace Tueller, Tiana Wheeler; Samuel Workman and Sadie Morelock;
Advisor: Ms. Jan Harney; and
Teacher and Film Club Advisor: Dr. Don Sand.

Representative Belatti, as one of the three final round judges for the competition, thanked and congratulated the impressive team.

Representative Pouha recognized students from the Kahuku Film Club, who were seated in the gallery:

Jolizza Patterson, Smylyn Naluai and Jon Jackson.

Representative Ward congratulated the students and thanked them for being role models.

Representative LoPresti, as a former judge for the competition, noted the value of the program, which provides critical thinking skills, as well as other skills that can be employed beyond the classroom and for the rest of their lives.

Representative Ing, as one of the judges, congratulated the truly impressive team and noted the robust curriculum studied.

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.R. No. 176 was adopted, with Representatives Har, Kobayashi, Matsumoto, Tokioka and Tupola being excused.

At 12:31 o'clock p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:40 o'clock p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS**COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS**

The following measures were re-referred to committee by the Speaker:

S.B.**Nos.****Re-referred to:**

544,
SD1 Committee on Finance

717,
SD2 Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the
 Committee on Transportation

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:41 o'clock p.m., on motion by Representative Evans, seconded by Representative Thielen and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until 12:00 o'clock noon tomorrow, Thursday, April 2, 2015. (Representatives Har, Matsumoto, Pouha, Tokioka and Tupola were excused.)