THIRTY-NINTH DAY

Tuesday, March 19, 1985

The Senate of the Thirteenth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 1985, convened at 11:45 o'clock a.m., with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Reverend Ford G. Coffman of the United Church of Christ, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present.

The Chair announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Thirty-Eighth Day.

The following introductions were made to the members of the Senate:

Senator Abercrombie introduced people from the Life Foundation as follows:

"Mr. President, today we have several individuals with us representing the Life Foundation, at least one or two of whom may be familiar to many of our Senators here on the floor and some whom have yet to be introduced.

"The Life Foundation, Mr. President, is a grass roots, nonprofit charitable organization, run by volunteers and dedicated to providing services to people in Hawaii who have Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome known as AIDS.

"This disease, as you know, Mr. President, damages the immune system of otherwise healthy people and the Life Foundation allows AIDS victims to maintain their spirit, their energy, and their dignity.

"Mr. President, this disease has taken on a rather notorious aspect in the public press and in many people's minds, and it's very important for us, I believe, to have individuals, especially volunteer organizations, to try to cut through some of that notoriety, through some of the suspicion and fear and anxiety, so that we can deal in a rational discourse with this very, very serious problem that has a devastating effect on the individuals and the families associated with those who acquire the disease because it is always at this point fatal and involves, generally, expenditures beyond the capacity of the ordinary individual.

"Anytime someone starts out to help bring the message, whether it has been with muscular dystrophy or multiple sclerosis or any of the other devastating diseases and physical difficulties that people have, it's so important to have those volunteers, those understanding people in the community who help carry that message.

"We have several of the people who

are on the board of the Life Foundation with us today. I'm sorry that Marilyn Bornhorst, our City Councilwoman from the City and County, cannot be here today, but we have other individuals with us and I would like to present them to the body right now prior to giving them a certificate.

"First, I'd like to introduce someone whom most of you will be seeing at one time or another, if you haven't already, a volunteer who is going to handle lobby chores for the Life Foundation, Mrs. Cathalene Teahan.

"Next, I'd like to introduce someone who may be, especially to those of us who have had some contact with the Health Committee over the years, Dr. Joel Greenspan, epidemiologist with the Hawaii Department of Health.

"Next, a friend to most of us, who will be introduced today in her state of one and a half or one and three-quarters, I think, since the last time I saw her, the vice president of Life Foundation and, of course, a producer and writer for Hawaii Public Television, Melanie Granfors.

"And, finally, Dr. David McEwan, the president of Life Foundation and director of family medicine for the Honolulu Medical Group, to whom I would like to present the certificate at the appropriate time."

The honorees rose to be recognized, Senator Abercrombie presented the congratulatory certificate and Senators Fernandes Salling, McMurdo, Hee and Cayetano presented the leis.

Senator Fernandes Salling then introduced Mr. Paul Tso, director of the Coordination Council for North American Affairs from the Province of Taiwan of the Republic of China, who was accompanied by his aide, Mr. Preston Deng.

At 10:50 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 10:54 o'clock a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Gov. Msg. No. 237, transmitting a report in response to H.R. No. 40 (1984), Requesting a Study on the Feasibility of Establishing and Implementing a Teacher Recertification Program, was read by the Clerk and was referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

S.C.R. No. 36, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN AUDIT OF THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," was offered by Senator Holt, and was read by the Clerk.

By unanimous consent, S.C.R. No. 36 was referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions (S.R. Nos. 40 to 42) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

S.R. No. 40, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN AUDIT OF THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," was offered by Senator Holt.

By unanimous consent, S.R. No. 40 was referred to the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Legislative Management.

S.R. No. 41, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING A STUDY OF DEREGULATION OF THE INTERISLAND BARGE SYSTEM," was offered by Senators Solomon, B. Kobayashi, Toguchi, McMurdo, Hagino, Hee, Mizuguchi, Henderson, Soares, Matsuura and Fernandes Salling.

By unanimous consent, S.R. No. 41 was referred jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Transportation.

S.R. 42, entitled: "SENATE No. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL 'AGRICULTURE DAY' AND DESIGNATING 1985 MARCH 20, AS 'HAWAII was offered by AGRICULTURE DAY," Fernandes Senators Solomon, Salling, Henderson, Hee, Mizuguchi, Cayetano, Toguchi, Cobb, Yamasaki, Kuroda, Matsuura, Young, Aki, Hagino, Soars and B. Kobayashi.

On motion by Senator Solomon, seconded by Senator Fernandes Salling and carried, S.R. No. 42 was adopted.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Kuroda for the Committee on Tourism and Recreation, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 717) recommending that Senate Resolution No. 26, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

Senator Kuroda then moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 717 be adopted and S.R. No. 26, S.D. 1, be adopted, seconded by Senator McMurdo.

Senator Fernandes Salling rose to speak in

support of the resolution as follows:

"Mr. President, this morning, it gives me great pleasure to speak in support of this resolution requesting our Governor to initiate the establishment of a sister-state/province relationship between the Republic of China on Taiwan and Hawaii.

"Taiwan has been one of the driving forces behind the economic and social vitalization of the Western Pacific, a region which has supplanted Europe as America's largest trading partner. In 1984, two-way trading volume between Taiwan and Hawaii exceeded 150 million dollars. Taiwan is the third largest consumer of Hawaii's exports, and America's fifth largest trading partner.

"Tourism from Taiwan to Hawaii has also increased substantially in recent years.

"Since 1970, more than 10,000 immigrants from Taiwan have entered the state, and have become productive members of our community.

"Hawaii and Taiwan are geographically and climatically similar, and Taiwan's farming and aquacultural practices are some of the most efficient in the world. The intensive use of their limited land areas could provide Hawaii with some valuable lessons regarding maximum utilization of our limited resources.

"Finally, the people of Taiwan have demonstrated a spirit of aloha and goodwill that provides me a special sense of gratification which is manifested in this resolution."

Senator Kawasaki also supported the resolution as follows:

"Mr. President, briefly, in support of this resolution.

"It seems to me, aside from the presentation just made by Senator Fernandes Salling, the whereas clauses amply specify the justification for the adoption of this resolution, and, further, I anticipate that our itinerant Governor would receive this very favorably.

"I ask everyone to vote in favor of this resolution."

Senator Matsuura, also in support of the resolution, stated:

"Mr. President, would you make the comments of the Senator from Kauai as my own, also, in the Journal?"

The Chair responded: "So ordered, Senator Matsuura."

The motion was put by the Chair and

carried, and Stand. Com. Rep. No. 717 was adopted and S.R. No. 26, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO INITIATE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SISTER-STATE/PROVINCE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON TAIWAN AND HAWAII," was adopted.

Senator Yamasaki, for the Committee on Ways and Means, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 718) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of the following:

Harriette M. Davis to the Board of Taxation Review, Second Taxation District, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 153;

Lovey Leinaala Apana to the Board of Taxation Review, Fourth Taxation District, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 154;

Fred T. Yamashiro to the Board of Taxation Review, Third Taxation District, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 190;

Erlinda Salvador to the Board of Taxation Review, Fourth Taxation District, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 191, and

Norma J. Yuskos to the Board of Taxation Review, First Taxation District, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 232.

In accordance with Senate Rule 33, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 718 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 153, 154, 190, 191 and 232 was deferred until Wednesday, March 20, 1985.

Senator B. Kobayashi, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 719) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of Leslie S. Matsubara as Director of Health, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 86.

In accordance with Senate Rule 33, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 719 and Gov. Msg. No. 86 was deferred until Wednesday, March 20, 1985.

Senator B. Kobayashi, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 720) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of Kazu Hayashida, L. Stephen Lau, Ph.D., James J. Nakatani, Melvin Koizumi, Susumo Ono, Jack K. Suwa, James W. Morrow, Samuel S.H. Lee, James Kumagai, Ph.D., and Jacqueline Parnell to the Technical Advisory Committee on Pesticides, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 132. In accordance with Senate Rule 33, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 720 and Gov. Msg. No. 132 was deferred until Wednesday, March 20, 1985.

Senator B. Kobayashi, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 721) recommending that the advise and consent Senate to the of Gail Ehrhardt, nominations of Ora Latham and Herbert Y. Nakasone to the Maui County Subarea Health Planning Council, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 204.

In accordance with Senate Rule 33, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 721 and Gov. Msg. No. 204 was deferred until Wednesday, March 20, 1985.

At 11:58 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:05 o'clock p.m.

ORDER OF THE DAY

RE-REFERRAL OF A HOUSE BILL

The President made the following re-referral of a House bill that was received:

House Bill Referred to:

No. 1581 Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and the Committee on Judiciary

Senator Abercrombie then introduced Jim "Date-Laau" McCarthy, staff member of Senator Hee, who is celebrating his 21st birthday today.

Senator Chang then rose on a point of personal privilege and remarked as follows:

"Mr. President, contemporary labor relations terminology calls for the use of the phrase "workers' compensation" rather than "workmen's compensation". I would be remiss and be subject to grave penalty if I were to let that remark pass."

Senator Holt then introduced Becky Brown, his legislative intern, who is celebrating her 17th birthday today.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:10 o'clock p.m., on motion by Senator Cobb, seconded by Senator Soares and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Wednesday, March 20, 1985.