

## THIRTY-SECOND DAY

**Thursday, March 19, 2009**

The Senate of the Twenty-Fifth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2009, convened at 11:40 a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Honorable Will Espero, Hawai'i State Senate, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators Hemmings and Ihara who were excused.

The President announced that she had read and approved the Journal of the Thirty-First Day.

At this time, the following introductions were made to the members of the Senate:

Senator Fukunaga, with the assistance of Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, English, Espero, Chun Oakland, Baker, and Tokuda, recognized and congratulated the following United States Small Business Administration's 2009 State of Hawai'i Awardees:

Judy Aranaydo, Work and Family Life Coordinator for the Pearl Harbor Fleet & Family Support (Veteran's Business Champion of the Year);

Naomi Hazleton-Giambrone, Publisher of Pacific Edge Magazine (Small Business Journalist of the Year);

Jean Jeremiah, Administrator of SCORE (Financial Services Champion of the Year);

Barbara Haliniak of the Business Depot/Molokai Chamber of Commerce (Minority Small Business Champion of the Year);

Melissa Pavlicek, Owner and President of Hawaii Public Policy Advocates (Women in Business Champion of the Year);

Agnes Reyes, President and Clinical Administrator of Case Management Professionals, Inc. (Home-Based Business Champion of the Year);

Jay Kim, who was unable to attend, and Jayne Kim of EKI Cyclery (SBA Family-Owned Small Business of the Year);

Richard (Hang) Xie, President of Hawaiian Sealife, Inc. (Small Business Exporter of the Year);

Timothy Moore of Hoaloha Na Eha, Ltd. Db, Old Lahaina Luau and Aloha Mixed Plate (Entrepreneurial Success of the Year), and business partners Mr. Michael Moore and Mr. Robert Aguiar, who were unable to attend;

Michael Farrell, Principal RME and Owner of Mokulua Woodworking, Ltd. (SBA Young Entrepreneur of the Year); and

Vaughn Vasconcellos, President and CEO of Akimeka LLC (Small Business Person of the Year), who was represented by Phil Kahue.

Senator Baker recognized and congratulated the American Cancer Society Hawai'i Pacific, Inc. on its 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday and introduced two pioneers of the Society—Jim Bunker, Founder and former Executive Vice President, and Dr. Reginald C.S. Ho, who was elected the first Asian American President of the National American Society in 1992.

At 12:18 p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:26 p.m.

**MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The following message from the Governor (Gov. Msg. No. 491) was read by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 491, informing the Senate that on March 17, 2009, the Governor withdrew the nomination of FLORENTINA SMITH to the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology, under Gov. Msg. No. 459, dated March 12, 2009.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 491, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 459 was returned.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Senator Sakamoto, for the Committee on Education and Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 902) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of CLARISSA P. HOSINO to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA), in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 418.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 902 and Gov. Msg. No. 418 was deferred until Friday, March 20, 2009.

Senator Sakamoto, for the Committee on Education and Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 903) recommending that S.C.R. No. 30 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 903 and S.C.R. No. 30, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON CONVERTING HARD COVER TEXT BOOKS TO E-BOOKS FOR USE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS," was deferred until Friday, March 20, 2009.

Senators Sakamoto and Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Education and Housing and the Committee on Human Services, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 904) recommending that S.C.R. No. 11 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 904 and S.C.R. No. 11, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS TO ESTABLISH RESOURCE CENTERS ON THEIR CAMPUSES IN ORDER TO COMBAT HOMELESSNESS," was deferred until Friday, March 20, 2009.

**ORDER OF THE DAY**

**ADVISE AND CONSENT**

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 899 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 281 and 419):

Senator Sakamoto moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 899 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kidani and carried.

Senator Sakamoto then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority (HPHA) of the following:

SAM AIONA, term to expire June 30, 2011 (Gov. Msg. No. 281); and

KAULANA H.R. PARK, term to expire June 30, 2013 (Gov. Msg. No. 419),

seconded by Senator Kidani.

The motion was put by the Chair and carried on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 21. Noes, none. Excused, 4 (Bunda, Hemmings, Ihara, Taniguchi).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 900 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 282 and 283):

Senator Sakamoto moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 900 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kidani and carried.

Senator Sakamoto then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HFD) of the following:

FRANCIS L. JUNG, term to expire June 30, 2009 (Gov. Msg. No. 282); and

FRANCIS L. JUNG, term to expire June 30, 2013 (Gov. Msg. No. 283),

seconded by Senator Kidani.

The motion was put by the Chair and carried on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 21. Noes, none. Excused, 4 (Bunda, Hemmings, Ihara, Taniguchi).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 901 (Gov. Msg. No. 284):

Senator Sakamoto moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 901 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kidani and carried.

Senator Sakamoto then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of DALE C. WEBSTER to the Education Commission of the States, term to expire June 30, 2013, seconded by Senator Kidani.

The motion was put by the Chair and carried on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 21. Noes, none. Excused, 4 (Bunda, Hemmings, Ihara, Taniguchi).

At this time, the Chair made the following announcement:

“Referrals and re-referrals are made in accordance with the Supplemental Order of the Day that may be distributed to your offices later this afternoon.”

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 12:28 p.m., on motion by Senator Sakamoto, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 a.m., Friday, March 20, 2009.