STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3149**

Honolulu, Hawaii

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 404

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 404, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

G.M. No. 404 MARGARET KURODA MASUNAGA, for a term to expire 6-30-2010,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of MARGARET KURODA MASUNAGA from the Attorney General and three individuals.

Ms. Masunaga received her bachelor of arts degree from the University of California, Berkeley. She received her juris doctorate from McGeorge School of Law at the University of the Pacific. From 1987 to 1991, Ms. Masunaga was an associate with the law firm of Goodsill Anderson Quinn & Stifel. She is currently a deputy corporation counsel for the County of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that Ms. Masunaga is currently the Chair of the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women and with her knowledge and experience, Ms. Masunaga will continue to be a great asset to the Commission.. Your Committee further finds that as required by the eight-year limitation set by section 26-34(a), Hawaii Revised Status, Ms. Masunaga's reappointment to the Commission shall expire on August 31, 2007.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs,

COLLEEN HANABUSA, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs (Advise and Consent)

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