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Res. No. 170

# Republic of the Philippines SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN PROVINCE OF NEGROS ORIENTAL

#### EXCERPTS FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SESSION ON:

Date: March 13, 2008 - 2:50 P.M.

Classification: Regular Session

#### RECORD OF ATTENDANCE:

HON, JOSE A. BALDADO Vice Governor & Presiding Officer Present

HON. MA. ANTONIA E. VILLEGAS -	OB Bacolod	HON. RODOLFO A. MARTINEZ	-	Present
HON. MELIMORE C. SAYCON -	OB Dapitan	HON. LEA G. BROMO	•	Present
HON. ERWIN MICHAEL L. MACIAS	- Present	HON. NAPOLEON E. VILLEGAS, JR.	-	Present
HON. SALETO J. ERAMES	- Present	HON. APOLINARIO I. ARNAIZ, SR. (LNMB)	•	OB Mla.
HON, ERNESTO T. TIJING	- Present	HON. PEVE O. LIGAN (PCL)	-	Present
HON. MARCELO G. ADANZA	- Present	HON. WED ANN SOL A. DIOREC (SK)	-	O.B.
HON, ROEL R. DEGAMO	- Present			

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 170**

"Presented for consideration was the letter dated March 6, 2008 of State Representative John M. Mizuno, Honolulu, Hawaii, U.S.A., requesting the August Body to pass a resolution supporting House Concurrent Resolution No. 103 of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008, approving and authorizing the establishment of a State-Province Affiliation between the State of Hawaii and the Province of Negros Oriental of the Republic of the Philippines;

"Whereas, in the interest of international peace and understanding and to reenforce and cement the common bridge for mutual assistance;

"On motion of Honorable Member Saleto J. Erames, seconded by Honorable Member Roel R. Degamo, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

"RESOLVES, To support, as it hereby support, House Concurrent Resolution No. 103 of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008; and to furnish a copy hereof for their information.

"Approved."

I hereby certify to the correctness of the above-quoted resolution.

GEOFFREY P VILLAHERMOSA

Provincial Secretary

JOSE A BALDADO

Vice Governor of Negros Oriental

Presiding Office

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FW: Testimony for HCR103/HR85

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From: Ruth I Pfeiffer [mailto:rpfeiffe@hawaii.edu]

Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2008 1:53 PM

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Subject: Testimony for HCR103/HR85

Rep. Rida Cabanilla

Chair, Committee on International Affairs

Re: Testimony in StrongSupport for HCR103/HR85 Relating to the Establishment of Sister State-Province Relationship Between the State of Hawaii and the Province of Negros Oriental

Hearing Date: March 24, 2008, 9:30 a.m., Room 329

Dear Chair Cabanilla,

My name is Ruth Imperial Pfeiffer, professor of music at the UH Leeward Community College.

I am writing in strong support for HCR103/HR85 Relating to the Establishment of Sister State-Province Relationship Between the State of Hawaii and the Province of Negros Oriental.

Negros Oriental is one of the Visayan provinces in Central Philippines where many of the early Filipino sakadas came from, and many of their descendants still live in Hawaii. In addition, it is the site of one of the foremost universities in the Philippines - Silliman University - where I used to teach before coming to Hawaii. Establishing a sister relationship with this province could lead to educational, cultural, and economic exchanges which would be beneficial to the State of Hawaii and the province of Negros Oriental.

For these reasons, I urge your committee to pass HCR103/HR85.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Very truly yours,

Ruth Imperial Pfeiffer Professor

## **TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HCR103 & HR85**

I am in strong support of HCR103 & HR85, to establish a sister state relationship between Hawaii and the province of Negros Oriental of the Republic of the Philippines.

The Governor and Vice Governor of Negros Oriental already have approved their resolution for a sister state Relationship between Hawaii and their province.

Edgar Fernandez Private Citizen & Resident of Hawaii