STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1735

Honolulu, Hawaii April 15, 2011

RE: H.C.R. No. 249 H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on International Affairs and Economic Revitalization & Business, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 249 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ESTABLISH A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HAWAII AND THE PROVINCE OF MARRAKESH OF THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to request the Governor to establish a sister-state relationship between Hawaii and the province of Marrakesh of the Kingdom of Morocco.

The Honorary Consul of Morocco, Honolulu, Hawaii; Friends of Maroc; and several concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism provided comments.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

(1) Specifying that the Governor is authorized and requested to take all necessary actions to establish a sisterstate relationship through the Hawaii Sister-State Committee between Hawaii and the state of Rabat-Salé-Zemmour-Zaër, Kingdom of Morocco, rather than requesting the Governor to establish a sister-state relationship between Hawaii and the province of Marrakesh of the Kingdom of Morocco;



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- (2) Amending its title to read: "AUTHORIZING AND REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ESTABLISH A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP THROUGH THE HAWAII SISTER-STATE COMMITTEE BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF RABAT-SALÉ-ZEMMOUR-ZAËR OF THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO";
- (3) Amending the WHEREAS and RESOLVED clauses to conform to the newly designated sister-state relationship between Hawaii and the state of Rabat-Salé-Zemmour-Zaër, Kingdom of Morocco;
- (4) Specifying that the purpose of the establishment of the sister-state relationship between Hawaii and the state of Rabat-Salé-Zemmour-Zaër, Kingdom of Morocco is for economic, social, governmental, educational, and cultural exchange;
- (5) Adding provisions that request the:
 - (A) Governor and the Hawaii Sister-State Committee to report to the Legislature on the progress made with respect to this measure no later than 20 days before the convening of the Regular Session of 2012;
 - (B) United States Secretary of State and the Embassy in Rabat to assist in the matters proposed by this measure; and
 - (C) Business community of Hawaii to assist in the matters proposed by this measure, as in all matters concerning sister-state relations;
- (6) Including the King of Morocco, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Morocco, United States Ambassador-designee to the Kingdom of Morocco, Moroccan Ambassador to the United States, Congressional delegation from Hawaii, Governor of the state of Rabat-Salé-Zemmour-Zaër, Chairperson of the Hawaii Sister-State Committee, President of the University of Hawaii, and President and Chief Executive Officer of the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii to the list of persons to receive a certified copy of this measure;



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- (7) Removing the Governor of the Province of Marrakesh from the list of persons to receive a certified copy of this measure; and
- (8) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on International Affairs and Economic Revitalization & Business that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 249, as amended herein, and recommend its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 249, H.D. 1.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on International Affairs and Economic Revitalization & Business,

ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair

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The recommendation is to: □ Pass, unamended (as is) Yeass, with amendments (HD) □ Hold □ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)						
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