

THIRTY-NINTH DAY

Tuesday, March 29, 2011

The House of Representatives of the Twenty-Sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, convened at 12:07 o'clock p.m., with Vice Speaker Manahan presiding, after which the Roll was called showing all Members present with the exception of Representatives Har, M. Oshiro and Yamashita, who were excused.

By unanimous consent, reading and approval of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Eighth Day was deferred.

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. Nos. 379 and 380) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 379, transmitting H.B. No. 319, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OWNER-BUILDERS," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on March 28, 2011.

Sen. Com. No. 380, transmitting H.B. No. 1654, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GROUP LIVING FACILITIES," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on March 28, 2011.

Representative B. Oshiro moved to disagree to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bills, seconded by Representative Evans and carried: (Representatives Har, M. Oshiro and Nishimoto were excused.)

H.B. No. 319, HD 1, (SD 1)
H.B. No. 1654, HD 1, (SD 1)

DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following departmental communications (Dept. Com. Nos. 74 through 80) were received by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Dept. Com. No. 74, dated March 23, 2011, from James B. Nicholson, Chair, Hawaii Labor Relations Board, pursuant to HRS §89-11(d)(3), notifying the Legislature that March 23, 2011 is the fiftieth day of impasse in the negotiations between the public employers and the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO for Unit 01, composed of nonsupervisory employees in blue-collar workers, and the mandatory mediation period provided by HRS §89-11(d) is over. The Board has been informed that mediation has failed to result in a tentative agreement for Unit 01 members.

Dept. Com. No. 75, dated March 23, 2011, from James B. Nicholson, Chair, Hawaii Labor Relations Board, pursuant to HRS §89-11(d)(3), notifying the Legislature that March 23, 2011 is the fiftieth day of impasse in the negotiations between the public employers and the Hawaii State Teachers Association, for Unit 05, composed of teachers, and the mandatory mediation period provided by HRS §89-11(d) is over. The Board has been informed that mediation has failed to result in a tentative agreement for Unit 05 members.

Dept. Com. No. 76, dated March 23, 2011, from Glenn M. Okimoto, Ph.D, Director of Transportation, Department of Transportation, pursuant to Section 108 of Act 162, SLH 2009, as amended by Act 180, SLH 2010, requesting approval to apply for and expend unappropriated federal grant funds for Honolulu International Airport (TRN 102) by \$18,821,000. These funds were not appropriated because a new grant will be available by the Federal Aviation Administration as part of the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program.

Dept. Com. No. 77, dated March 23, 2011, from Glenn M. Okimoto, Ph.D, Director of Transportation, Department of Transportation, pursuant to Section 108 of Act 162, SLH 2009, as amended by Act 108, SLH 2010,

requesting approval to apply for and expend unappropriated federal grant funds for Honolulu International Airport (TRN 102) by \$3,422,200. These funds were not appropriated because a new grant will be available by the Federal Aviation Administration as part of the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program.

Dept. Com. No. 78, dated March 23, 2011, from Glenn M. Okimoto, Ph.D, Director of Transportation, Department of Transportation, pursuant to Section 108 of Act 162, SLH 2009, as amended by Act 180, SLH 2010, requesting approval to apply for and expend unappropriated federal grant funds for Lanai Airport (TRN 151) by \$1,201,750. These funds were not appropriated because a new grant will be available by the Federal Aviation Administration as part of the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program.

Dept. Com. No. 79, dated March 23, 2011, from Glenn M. Okimoto, Ph.D, Director of Transportation, Department of Transportation, pursuant to Section 108 of Act 162, SLH 2009, as amended by Act 180, SLH 2010, requesting approval to apply for and expend unappropriated federal grant funds for Molokai Airport (TRN 141) by \$5,805,000. These funds were not appropriated because a new grant will be available by the Federal Aviation Administration as part of the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program.

Dept. Com. No. 80, dated March 23, 2011, from Glenn M. Okimoto, Ph.D, Director of Transportation, Department of Transportation, pursuant to Section 108 of Act 162, SLH 2009, as amended by Act 180, SLH 2010, requesting approval to apply for and expend unappropriated federal grant funds for Hilo International Airport (TRN 111) by \$3,168,250. These funds were not appropriated because a new grant will be available by the Federal Aviation Administration as part of the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program.

INTRODUCTIONS

The following introduction was made to the Members of the House:

Representative McKelvey introduced friends from Maui: Ms. Deborah Arendale, Executive Director at Maui County Office of Aging; and Ms. Pat Toyama, a family caregiver.

ORDER OF THE DAY

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Hanohano, for the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1218), recommending that H.R. No. 56, be referred to the Committee on Judiciary; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1219), recommending that H.C.R. No. 63, be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representative B. Oshiro moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 56; and H.C.R. No. 63, be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, seconded by Representative Evans.

Representative Pine rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 56, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE OF HAWAII TO PROVIDE THE DELEGATES AND OFFICERS OF THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN CONVENTION WITH THE FINANCIAL AND OTHER SUPPORT NEEDED TO COMPLETE THEIR WORK," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 63, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE OF HAWAII TO PROVIDE THE DELEGATES AND OFFICERS OF THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN CONVENTION WITH THE FINANCIAL AND OTHER SUPPORT NEEDED TO COMPLETE THEIR WORK," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Rhoads, for the Committee on Labor & Public Employment presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1220), recommending that H.C.R. No. 146, be referred to the Committee on Legislative Management.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 146, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN AUDIT OF THE EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND," was referred to the Committee on Legislative Management, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Rhoads, for the Committee on Labor & Public Employment presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1221), recommending that H.C.R. No. 127, as amended in HD 1, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 127, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO EXAMINE HOW THE COMPENSATION OF STATE AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE COMPARES WITH THAT OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN OTHER STATES AND JURISDICTIONS AND THAT OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN THE STATE," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Cabanilla, for the Committee on Housing presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1222), recommending that H.R. No. 124, be referred to the Committee on Finance; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1223), recommending that H.C.R. No. 142, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative B. Oshiro moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 124; and H.C.R. No. 142, be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Evans.

Representative Rhoads rose to speak in opposition to both measures, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to register a no vote on both Stand. Com. Rep. Nos. 1222 and 1223 and give brief comments. There's no question that NIMBY-ism is rampant everywhere, not just in Hawaii, but across the nation. But I do think that these Resolutions are unfair to the citizens of Chinatown. We do have a homeless problem in Chinatown and when you look at the point-in-time counts, Downtown Honolulu is second behind the Waianae Coast in terms of the numbers of the homeless people who are living here.

"But we also have many facilities to help the homeless. We have the River of Life to feed homeless. We have Safe Haven for the mentally ill. We have a whole variety of programs. There's at least three that I can think of off-hand, of homeless shelters in the Downtown area. One on Iwilei Road; one on Kaaahi; one on Quinn Lane. We have a methadone clinic on Kukui Street. We have a needle exchange program that's also on Kukui Street.

"We have a great array of social services in the Chinatown area and I just don't think it's fair to imply that somehow those of us who live in

Chinatown are any less caring about the homeless than anywhere else in the State. The issues that we face are issues that other neighborhoods don't want either. No one's volunteering to take homeless shelters anywhere on the island, not just in Chinatown. So I oppose these two measures. Thank you."

Representative Ching rose to speak in opposition to both measures, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I too will rise with opposition and I ask that the words of the good Representative from Chinatown be entered as my own. Thank you. The Liliha area has been very, I think, we have a number of people who have accommodated many of our social services. In fact we're very proud of our social services. We accommodate many things.

"But on a second note and point, we have had a number of measures this year telling the media what to do. And while I too want to see us take care of, of course our homeless, perhaps the issue to be covered is the origins of homelessness. That is provocative. That's a very good thing to cover. Thank you."

Representative Cabanilla rose to speak in support of both measures, stating:

"For both measures, Mr. Speaker, I stand in strong support. I just would like to make some corrections on a statement made. This NIMBY issue is not only for the homeless, but it is also for affordable housing and affordable rentals. And these resolutions did not address Chinatown. This issue of NIMBY had been demonstrated in places like Kahala and also in Mililani.

"But this measure is not for any particular place. It's for all of us. I think the solution of homelessness or affordable housing is not where it is. I think it lies on all of us, our attitude, the way we see it, the way we treat them. It's on all of us. So these resolutions are for us to change our attitude and the way we look at them because even though there's a lot of options there, it will never go anywhere because nobody wants the homeless. Or nobody wants affordable housing next to them, or rentals. Until that attitude is changed, Mr. Speaker, we will never get anything solved. We will be just like a ship that will never have a pier.

"And for those things, Mr. Speaker, I think the media is the best tool we have because we need to connect to ourselves. Thank you."

Representative Belatti rose in opposition to both measures and asked that the remarks of Representative Rhoads be entered into the Journal as her own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 124, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING HAWAII TELEVISION, RADIO AND PRINT MEDIA OUTLETS TO ADDRESS THE "NOT IN MY BACK YARD" (NIMBY) ATTITUDE IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Belatti, Ching and Rhoads voting no, and with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 142, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING HAWAII TELEVISION, RADIO AND PRINT MEDIA OUTLETS TO ADDRESS THE "NOT IN MY BACK YARD" (NIMBY) ATTITUDE IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Belatti, Ching and Rhoads voting no, and with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Cabanilla, for the Committee on Housing presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1224), recommending that H.R. No. 62, as amended in HD 1, be referred to the Committee on Finance; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1225), recommending that H.C.R. No. 70, as amended in HD 1, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative B. Oshiro moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 62, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 70, HD 1, be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Evans.

Representative McKelvey rose to speak in support of both measures, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On Stand. Com. No. 1224, HR 62, HD 1; and Stand. Com. No. 1225, HCR 70, HD 1, just in strong support. I would like to thank the Housing Committee for hearing this measure and moving it on for discussion. I think it's an important time given the overall situation in that area for us to look at this as a way to provide home ownership opportunities, as well as providing assistance for those out there who can make it work, but are having difficulties in trying to make it work given the multiple entities involved. Thank you, very much."

Representative Fontaine rose to speak in support of both measures, stating:

"Yes, Mr. Speaker. I also stand in strong support and I would like to have the words from the Representative from Lahaina entered as my own."

Representative Hanohano rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 62, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATEWIDE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST TO PROMOTE HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 70, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATEWIDE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST TO PROMOTE HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Nishimoto, for the Committee on Higher Education presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1226), recommending that H.C.R. No. 289, be referred to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 289, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING SUPPORT OF STATE FUNDING FOR NA PUA NO'EAU STAFFING AND PROGRAMS," was referred to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Nishimoto, for the Committee on Higher Education presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1227), recommending that H.R. No. 246, be referred to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 246, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO TO SEEK GRANT MONEYS AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR STUDYING THE FEASIBILITY OF INCORPORATING NATIVE HAWAIIAN PLANT SPECIES IN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS," was referred to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Nishimoto, for the Committee on Higher Education presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1228), recommending that H.C.R. No. 279, be referred to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 279, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO TO SEEK GRANT MONEYS AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR STUDYING THE FEASIBILITY OF INCORPORATING NATIVE HAWAIIAN PLANT SPECIES IN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS," was referred to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Nishimoto, for the Committee on Higher Education presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1229), recommending that H.R. No. 256, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 256, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO TO SEARCH FOR A SITE IN LOWER PUNA TO HOUSE A LEARNING CENTER," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Nishimoto, for the Committee on Higher Education presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1230), recommending that H.C.R. No. 291, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 291, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO TO SEARCH FOR A SITE IN LOWER PUNA TO HOUSE A LEARNING CENTER," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Nishimoto, for the Committee on Higher Education presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1231), recommending that H.R. No. 170, be referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Revitalization & Business and the Committee on Labor & Public Employment; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1232), recommending that H.C.R. No. 197, be referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Revitalization & Business and the Committee on Labor & Public Employment.

Representative B. Oshiro moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 170; and H.C.R. No. 197, be referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Revitalization & Business and the Committee on Labor & Public Employment, seconded by Representative Evans.

Representative Hanohano rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative B. Oshiro rose to disclose a potential conflict of interest, stating:

"For these two resolutions, may I have a ruling on a potential conflict? At my law firm we're involved in litigation over the building of the telescopes. Thank you," and the Chair ruled, "no conflict."

Representative Jordan rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Wooley rose to speak in support of both measures with reservations, stating:

"Could you also note my reservations on those two measures? And I just want to note that I think that there's a lot of excitement about the business opportunities for the telescope, as well as the research opportunities. But there's one part that the resolutions don't address which is the Native Hawaiian claims to that land, and there are concerns about the cultural site.

So I just have concerns about it moving forward in its current form. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 170, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE WORKFORCE PIPELINE PROGRAM OF THE THIRTY METER TELESCOPE PROJECT," was referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Revitalization & Business and the Committee on Labor & Public Employment, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 197, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE WORKFORCE PIPELINE PROGRAM OF THE THIRTY METER TELESCOPE PROJECT," was referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Revitalization & Business and the Committee on Labor & Public Employment, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Nishimoto, for the Committee on Higher Education presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1233), recommending that H.R. No. 240, be referred to the Committee on Tourism.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 240, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE SCHOOL OF TRAVEL INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA TO DEVELOP ENHANCEMENTS FOR THE TOURISM-RELATED CAPABILITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII ECONOMIC RESEARCH ORGANIZATION DATA PORTAL," was referred to the Committee on Tourism, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Nishimoto, for the Committee on Higher Education presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1234), recommending that H.C.R. No. 273, be referred to the Committee on Tourism.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 273, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE SCHOOL OF TRAVEL INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA TO DEVELOP ENHANCEMENTS FOR THE TOURISM-RELATED CAPABILITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII ECONOMIC RESEARCH ORGANIZATION DATA PORTAL," was referred to the Committee on Tourism, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Awana, for the Committee on International Affairs presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1235), recommending that H.R. No. 60, as amended in HD 1, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 60, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE ISLANDS OF OCEANIA," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Awana, for the Committee on International Affairs presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1236), recommending that H.C.R. No. 67, as amended in HD 1, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative B. Oshiro, seconded by Representative Evans and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 67, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE ISLANDS OF OCEANIA," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Har and M. Oshiro being excused.

Representative Awana, for the Committee on International Affairs presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1237) recommending that H.R. No. 30, be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1238) recommending that H.C.R. No. 37, be adopted.

Representative B. Oshiro moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 30; and H.C.R. No. 37, be adopted, seconded by Representative Evans.

At 12:20 o'clock p.m. Representative Ward requested a recess and the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:27 o'clock p.m.

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Thank you, Members. Before the recess we were on Standing Committee Reports Nos. 1237 and 1238, those measures will be deferred one legislative day."

By unanimous consent, action was deferred one legislative day.

Representative Awana, for the Committee on International Affairs presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1239) recommending that H.R. No. 13, as amended in HD 1, be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1240) recommending that H.C.R. No. 12, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

Representative B. Oshiro moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 13, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 12, HD 1, be adopted, seconded by Representative Evans.

Representative Ching rose to speak in support of both measures, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand in strong support of both of these resos. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, the district I represent, along with the Representative from Nuuanu, has just about all of the physical consulates in our district. In fact, we are the multicultural district in that way. There are four of them: Japanese, Korean, Philippine, and unofficially the Taipei.

"I think that this is a wonderful idea. With APEC coming in November we want to establish our relationships prior to APEC because that's when the lasting value will come, with the lasting value past November into the many years later.

"And just as an aside, perhaps for the Representative from Waikiki, three years ago I was in New York and I happened to be invited to a big conference at the Asia Center of the Rockefeller Center. In actuality, I learned about the consumption of chocolate by Asia. And what they had done is flown in a number of high-profile 'foodies' to New York City to the Rockefeller Center and they were all in discussion on a workshop seminar called, 'The increasing demand for chocolate in Asia.' And that was a conference. It attracted a lot of international stardom. It was interesting, and I bet you it was lucrative for New York City. Thank you."

Representative Ward rose to speak in support of both measures, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of these resos. Mr. Speaker, we often speak in this Chamber about diversification of the economy, and the necessity of diversifying our economy. Having a series of international conferences can do that. This is a diversification of tourism.

"It's something that some of us have hoped that in the future, as was proposed in the 2020 plan for Hawaii, that we would be the epicenter of diplomacy in Hawaii. If there's a problem in North Korea about South Korea, bring them here. Fiji, bring them here. What we've got is the potential to be the 'Geneva of the Pacific.' You've got a problem? You want to work it out? You come to Hawaii. It's a natural for us.

"The dress rehearsal for that is APEC as my colleague has mentioned. And if we do it well, there are dozens of very big conferences like APEC that the UN and other countries put on. If they knew the welcome mat was out in Hawaii we would certainly garner that business. So this is a diversification of the economy, not just a 'warm and fuzzy' reso about international relations. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 13, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO HOST MORE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES IN HAWAII," was adopted, with Representatives Har, Ito, M. Oshiro and Souki being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 12, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO HOST MORE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES IN HAWAII," was adopted, with Representatives Har, Ito, M. Oshiro and Souki being excused.

Representative Awana, for the Committee on International Affairs presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1241) recommending that H.R. No. 12, as amended in HD 1, be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1242) recommending that H.C.R. No. 11, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

Representative B. Oshiro moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 12, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 11, HD 1, be adopted, seconded by Representative Evans.

Representative Ching rose to speak in support of both measures, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Again in strong support, and reiterating the point made earlier that the real power according to one of the APEC committee members, they said that they looked at the different places that had held APEC and that actually a number of them had not garnered some of the success that they could have because they only saw APEC as an event for one week. November 8 through 13. One week.

"But actually the ones that were highly successful were the locations that realized that infrastructure and all of the necessary inviting people, inviting them to be Honorary Consuls came from prior because it gives you a reason to contact these people, these entrepreneurs, these businesses, and then afterwards relationship that was fostered.

"So again, actually the week is sort of like maybe the big game. But as we all know, those of us who have played sports, and as I used to tell my students, homework and practice. You've got to be there if you want to do well on the day of the big game. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 12, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR OF HAWAII TO INVITE ALL ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION COUNTRIES TO ESTABLISH HONORARY CONSULS IN HAWAII BEFORE THE 2011 ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION SUMMIT," was adopted, with Representatives Har, Ito, M. Oshiro and Souki being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 11, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR OF HAWAII TO INVITE ALL ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION COUNTRIES TO ESTABLISH HONORARY CONSULS IN HAWAII BEFORE THE 2011 ASIA-

PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION SUMMIT," was adopted, with Representatives Har, Ito, M. Oshiro and Souki being excused.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Ching: "Sorry to be so loquacious today. It's a nice, easy day and I have to fill it with all my words, right? On March 30, it will be Doctors Day. I know our former Representative that was in the back row there and is now in the Senate who was probably the only practicing doctor in the Legislature, but nevertheless a doctor. Maybe he can hear us from here.

"But this is the 78-year-old tradition of honoring physicians on March 30th that was officially recognized as a national observance in 1990 when the US House of Representatives and President George Bush issued a proclamation underscoring the sanctity of the calling to pursue medicine. More than the application of science and technology, medicine is a special calling and those who have chosen this vocation in order to serve their fellow man understand the tremendous responsibility it entails.

"And so with that, I just wanted to announce that March 30th is Doctors Day and I hope that we can show all of our friends and family who are doctors our appreciation for saving lives. Thank you."

Representative Yamashita: "Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to announce that there will be an informational briefing tomorrow, March 30th, in the Capitol Auditorium regarding energy conservation measures concerning this building presented by DAGS, DAGS staff, as well as NORESCO. There will be a question and answer period to follow. That's tomorrow between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. Thank you."

Vice Speaker Manahan: "The Chair has one announcement. Members, please be advised that we will convene in Joint Session in the Senate Chambers for the Hawaii Medal of Honor ceremony at 2:00 p.m. this afternoon. All Members are encouraged to be prompt to avoid any delay in beginning the ceremony. Thank you."

COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

The following measures were re-referred to committee by the Speaker:

<u>H.R.</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>Re-referred to:</u>
70	Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs

<u>H.C.R.</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>Re-referred to:</u>
77	Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs

RECESS

Representative Evans moved that the House stand in Recess for the purpose of convening in Joint Session in the Senate Chamber at 2:00 p.m., and reconvene for regular session at 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, seconded by Representative Pine and carried. (Representatives Har, Ito, M. Oshiro and Souki were excused.)

At 12:35 o'clock p.m., the Chair declared a recess and the House of Representatives stood in recess, subject to the call of the Chair, and in accordance with Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 27, met in Joint Session with the Senate, for the Hawaii Medal of Honor Ceremony.

JOINT SESSION

The Joint Session of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Sixth Legislature was called to order at 2:03 o'clock p.m. by the Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui, President of the Senate.

The President addressed the Chamber, stating:

"This is indeed a momentous occasion. We honor members of the Armed Forces of the United States, with ties to Hawaii, who fought and died bravely, in combat zones designated by presidential order.

"On behalf of the House Speaker and all of the Members of the Hawaii State Legislature, I convey our deepest condolences to our very special guests - the family, friends and colleagues of loved ones, who have lost their lives overseas while in the Middle East. Our prayers are with you, and we are honored by your presence today.

"Please rise for the posting of colors by the Joint Service Color Guard and the Hawaii Air National Guard, Royal Guard, and remain standing for the singing of the National Anthem and Hawaii Pono'i by Ms. Jennifer Lee, which will be followed by the invocation by Raymond Ganotise, Master Sergeant Retired from the Hawaii Army National Guard."

At this time, the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives, guests, and audience rose for the presentation of our Nation's and our State's Colors by the Joint Service Color Guard and the Hawaii Air National Guard, Royal Guard. The singing of the National Anthem and *Hawaii Pono'i* was led by Ms. Jennifer Lee, thereafter the invocation was delivered by Raymond Ganotise, Master Sergeant Retired from the Hawaii Army National Guard.

President Tsutsui then addressed the Members, guests and audience as follows:

"Mahalo Joint Service Color Guard, Royal Guard, Ms. Lee, and Master Sergeant Retired Ganotise. Your participation in today's ceremony is greatly appreciated. You may be seated.

"Today we have gathered so we can honor and remember our fallen heroes, their families, and friends. As we go about with our busy everyday lives, whether it's going to work, attending a baby luau, sporting events on the weekend, or even church on Sundays, it is easy to forget that there is a war going on and in other parts of the world combat in the streets is an all day and everyday occurrence for both civilians and soldiers. Through the distance we are sometimes able to disassociate ourselves from the reality that our brave soldiers experience on a daily basis and from the ensuing heartache that is felt by their loved ones who long for their safe return home.

"The Hawaii Medal of Honor is awarded on behalf of the people of Hawaii to soldiers who are connected to these islands and are part of our Ohana, our family forever. Today I am truly privileged and profoundly humbled to take part in this ceremony to honor those who have sacrificed their lives in defense of our nation and its freedoms. No one can take the place of a lost loved one. Nothing can be said to fill the void that is left in the hearts and lives of those who are left behind.

"In many ways today's events bring up mixed emotions. Great sorrow for those who have fallen, and also great pride in the bravery, dedication, and commitment these soldiers possessed and demonstrated in their lives. These individuals assumed their duties with the understanding of the potential danger that they would face and in light of that they still chose to dedicate themselves to a life of service for our country. Their courage, honor and commitment have forged an enduring legacy as common individuals demonstrating uncommon valor.

"Let us pledge to each other that these brave soldiers that have fallen will not be in vain. Let us never forget the magnitude of their sacrifices and remain ever grateful. For the debt we owe can never be repaid but through our continued commitment to the freedoms and ideals that define our country, may we honor their memories.

"Words cannot adequately express the appreciation and the gratitude that the people of Hawaii have for our courageous members in the military. To our fallen soldiers, and their family and friends, thank you for your many sacrifices. Our thoughts and prayers remain with you all. You will always be remembered with honor and respect. Thank you, and Mahalo to everyone here today and may God continue to bless all of us."

At this time, the Senate President introduced the following State, military and congressional leaders seated on the Floor of the Senate:

The Honorable Neil Abercrombie, Governor of the State of Hawaii;

The Honorable Brian Schatz, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawaii;

Representing the Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, United States Senator: Colonel Retired Walter Kaneakua;

Representing the Honorable Daniel K. Akaka, United States Senator: Mr. Ricky Oshiro;

Representing the Honorable Mazie K. Hirono, United States Congresswoman: Ms. Kelsey Anderson;

Representing the Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, United States Congresswoman: Mr. Rod Tanonaka;

Mr. Bill Paty, Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army;

Ms. Christina Kemmer, Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army;

Major General Darryll D.M. Wong, Adjutant General, Hawaii Department of Defense;

Representing the 25th Infantry Division and Major General Bernard Champoux: Lieutenant Colonel David Francis;

Representing United States Army Pacific: Brigadier General John E. Seward;

Brigadier General Michelle Compton, Commander, 9th Regional Support Command;

Brigadier General Gary M. Hara, Commander, Hawaii Army National Guard;

Representing Hawaii Air National Guard and Brigadier General Ann Greenlee: Brigadier General Stanley J. Osserman Jr.;

Rear Admiral Dixon R. Smith, Commander, Navy Region Hawaii, and Mrs. Kiki Smith;

Brigadier General Joseph Kim, Deputy Adjutant General, Hawaii Department of Defense, and Mrs. Kimberly Kim;

Brigadier General William J. Scott, Commanding General, 311th Signal Command, and Mrs. Paula Scott;

Representing the United States Pacific Air Forces and General Gary North: Colonel Brou Gautier;

Representing United State Marine Forces Pacific and Lieutenant General Duane Thiessen: Colonel James Bierman;

Representing the United States Air Force 154th Wing: Colonel Brad Sakai and Mrs. Momi Sakai; and

Representing Tripler Army Medical Center and Brigadier General Keith Gallagher: Captain Jose Acosta.

President Tsutsui then called upon Major General Darryll Wong to deliver his remarks on behalf of the military as follows:

"Governor Abercrombie, Senate President Shan Tsutsui, House Speaker Calvin Say, Lieutenant Governor Brian Schatz, Walt Kaneakua, Ricky Oshiro, Marvin Buenconsejo, Rod Tanonaka, Bill Paty, Christine Kemmer, Members of the State Legislature, federal flag officers, veterans, and especially our esteemed families.

"I want to begin by thanking all of you for coming to this ceremony. Today marks the sixth year that State officials have gathered here in these Chambers for this solemn ceremony. The presentation of the Hawaii State Medal of Honor was the first of its kind in the nation and has since been emulated by several other states.

"As the newly appointed State Adjutant General, this is the first time that I've had the honor of addressing this assemblage, but it is my fervent wish that it will be the last ceremony of its kind. That will mean that no more Hawaii-based members of our Armed Forces would have paid the ultimate price in the global war on terrorism, and no more families would have to grieve for their loss. But our nation remains engaged in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere in Southwest Asia and the Horn of Africa. And therefore our men and women in uniform will continue to place themselves in harm's way for the sake and the security and the freedom of others.

"No one who puts on the uniform wants to die for their country, but they are nonetheless willing to if it means that others may live in peace and security. At the very least, such selflessness deserves public recognition of the highest order and that is why we are here today.

"The State Medal of Honor is Hawaii's way of remembering the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsmen who have paid the ultimate sacrifice. To show our appreciation to their families, to share in their loss, and to assure them that they will always be a part of this State's Ohana or family. It doesn't matter if they were service members that grew up in Hawaii, or first set foot upon these beautiful islands as part of a Hawaii-based unit. He or she is still embraced as part of our family. There is no greater sacrifice a family can make than the loss of their loved one while in service to our nation, and there is no greater honor that the people of Hawaii can bestow upon them to symbolize that sacrifice.

"As this war on terrorism continues, it will remain our obligation to honor our selfless men and women in uniform and their families. It is the very least we can do for them after they have done so much for all of us. To the family and friends of our fallen heroes, I humbly ask that you accept this Hawaii Medal of Honor on behalf of the people of Hawaii who today and forever shall be your devoted family. Mahalo, and thank you."

The President then called upon the Honorable Neil Abercrombie to deliver his remarks as follows:

"Thank you, Mr. President. Welcome to all here, most especially to the families that have been able to join us today. I would like to begin my remarks with a passage that was taken from James Gould Cozzens in his great novel of World War II, *Guard of Honor*. It is taken from Shakespeare's *Tempest*.

I and my fellows are ministers of fate. The elements, of whom your swords are tempered, may as well wound the loud winds, or with bemocked-at stabs kill the still-closing waters, as diminish one dowle that's in my plume. My fellow ministers are invulnerable.

"Cozzens understood with perhaps an artist's sensitivity and sensibility what it is that men and women had been called upon to endure in World War II. Suffice it to say that that kind of sacrifice has been asked again, and again, and yet again. Those who are here with us today understand that for however brief a time we were privileged and honored to have with us here in paradise, those we honor today.

"As a member of the Armed Services Committee of the United States House of Representatives for two decades it was my obligation and

responsibility to spend time among troops in the field, particularly in Iraq and Afghanistan. So I come to you today with these words of greeting and gratitude, bringing with me the sentiments of those who have been mentioned as part of the Congressional delegation, and from those who have served on the civilian side of responsibility with regard to what has been expected of men and women defending the strategic interest of the United States of America. That that commitment to peace, and justice, and freedom, and opportunity which was manifest in the lives that have been given are recognized here today and that those lives are held in our hearts and in our minds.

"One might say, and I expect one might find those who would dismiss a ceremony of this kind and find it to be ritualistic. After all, we've done this now as indicated by General Wong, six times. We hope not to have to do it a seventh, or an eighth, or an ninth, but should that occur and should that be a necessity, we will surely do it.

"And the reason is, is that ritual is the great conservator of values. The values that were given to these young men and women that they manifested in their lives, and in their commitment, and in their sacrifice, and we recognize it. It's important to recognize it. It's important that we who understand what that sacrifice was all about let you know that it continues in our hearts and in our minds. And so yes, we give a greeting to all of you today, but more than that we thank you. More than that we say to you, come again to paradise. More than that we say to you, you are part of our Ohana, part of our family here in paradise. Aloha, and Mahalo."

At this time, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House presented the Hawaii Medal of Honor. The Clerk of the Senate announced the names of the Hawaii Medal of Honor recipients, which was followed by the ringing of the memorial bell.

United States Army Corporal Toby R. Olsen.

Corporal Olsen was 28. He was from Manchester, New Hampshire but grew up in Hawaii, was a 1997 graduate of Mililani High School and served with the 3rd Battalion, 509th Infantry (Airborne), 4th Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division from Fort Richardson, Alaska. Here to receive his medal are his parents Colonel James Olsen and Elisabeth Olsen.

United States Army Private First Class JR Salvacion.

Private First Class Salvacion was 27. He was from Ewa Beach, Hawaii and was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division from Fort Carson, Colorado. Here to receive his medal is his wife Joy Salvacion, his son Zildjian Salvacion and his mother Milagros Robiniol.

United States Army Private First Class Raymond N. Pacleb.

Private First Class Pacleb was 31. He was from Pearl City, Hawaii, a 1996 graduate of Pearl City High School and served with the 1st Battalion, 487th Field Artillery Regiment of the Hawaii National Guard from Wahiawa, Hawaii. Here to receive his medal is his sister Chanda Ferreira.

United States Army Sergeant Jamal M. Rhett.

Sergeant Rhett was 24. He was from Palmyra, New Jersey and served with the 1st Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Here to receive his medal is his mother Michelle Watson.

United State Marine Corps First Lieutenant Scott J. Fleming.

First Lieutenant Fleming was 24. He was from Marietta, Georgia and served with the 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, 3rd Marine Expeditionary Force from Marine Corps Base Hawaii. Here to receive his medal are his parents Joe and Joanne Fleming and his sister Andrea Fleming.

United States Army Sergeant David J. Luff Jr.

Sergeant Luff was 29. He was from Hamilton, Ohio and served with the 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Here to receive his

medal is his wife Katie Luff, their infant son Aiden and his mother-in-law Judy Halcombe.

United States Marine Corps Sergeant Matthew T. Abbate. Sergeant Abbate was 26. He was from Honolulu, Hawaii and served with the 3rd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force from Camp Pendleton, California. Here to receive his medal is his wife Stacie Rigall, his son Carson and his brother Elliott Abbate.

United States Army Sergeant Sean M. Collins. Sergeant Collins was 25. He was from Ewa Beach, Hawaii and served with the 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) from Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Here to receive his medal is his father Lieutenant Colonel retired Patrick Collins and his sister Deirdre Collins.

United States Marine Corps Lance Corporal Timothy J. Poole Jr. Lance Corporal Poole was 22. He was from Bowling Green, Kentucky and served with the 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines, 3rd Marine Division, 3rd Marine Expeditionary Force from Marine Corps Base Hawaii. Here to receive his medal is his father Timothy J. Poole Sr. and family friends Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Baker and Major Tom Grace.

The Clerk of the House proceeded to read the names of the other Hawaii Medal of Honor recipients whose friends and family could not be at the ceremony today:

United States Marine Corps Lance Corporal Noah M. Pier

United States Marine Corps Lance Corporal Curtis M. Swenson

United States Marine Corps Sergeant Joe L. Wrightsman

United States Marine Corps Private First Class Jake W. Suter

United States Army First Lieutenant Michael L. Runyan

United States Army Staff Sergeant Philip C. Jenkins

United States Army Private First Class James F. McClamrock

United States Army Staff Sergeant Aracely Gonzalez O'Malley

At this time, Members of the Hickam Base Honor Guard proceeded with a 21-gun Salute and the playing of Taps outside the Senate Chamber in the Capitol Rotunda, which was then followed by a moment of silence.

Speaker Say then gave his closing remarks as follows:

"Guests, friends and Members, please take your seats. To all of you, thank you for your participation in this ceremony.

"Thank you especially for your display of commendation, respect, and gratitude for the sacrifice of the young people we have honored today.

"Thank you also for the honor you have bestowed upon their families.

"During these times of ceremonies, we are reminded of what not to take for granted. We should not take for granted our family and friends, our standard of living, and our appreciation of innovation, individualism, and self-expression. We should not take for granted our multi-cultural, multi-religious, multi-ethnic society of tolerance, which is the basis for our moral authority in the world today. Most importantly, we should never take for granted our freedom, dearly earned and preserved by the young people honored today and their predecessors.

"I am sure that they would join me in saying: God Bless America!

"Members of the House and Senate, and special guests, please stand for the retiring of the colors."

The Speaker of the House then called on the Joint Service Color Guard and the Hawaii Air National Guard, Royal Guard for the retiring of the Colors, and at 2:49 o'clock p.m., declared the Joint Session of the Senate and the House of Representatives adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

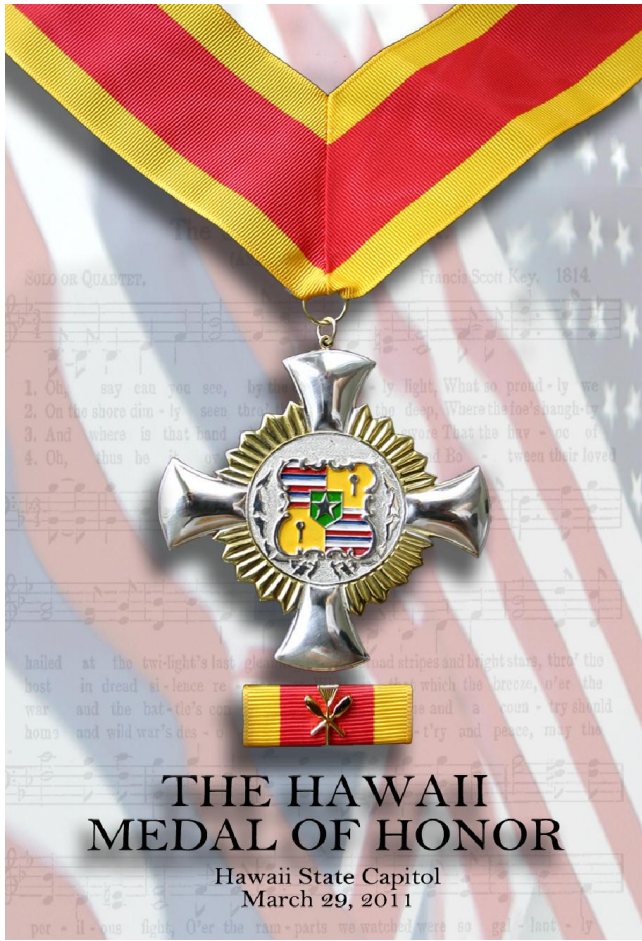
At 12:00 o'clock midnight, the House of Representatives adjourned until 12:00 o'clock noon, Thursday, March 31, 2011.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

House Communication dated March 29, 2011, from Patricia Mau-Shimizu, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and Members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has disagreed to the amendments made by the Senate to the following measures:

H.B. No. 319, HD 1, SD 1

H.B. No. 1654, HD 1, SD 1



SYMBOLISM OF THE HAWAII MEDAL OF HONOR

The Hawaii Medal of Honor was designed by Sergeant First Class Aaron Pollick from the Hawaii Army National Guard. This medal consists of the following six components, superimposed on each other:

Circle of Kalo Leaves: The kalo leaves represent the family or Ohana. The leaves are designed in an encircled fashion and represent the concept of Ohana, which we strive to embrace.

Coat of Arms: The Great Shield is the keystone of the design. The eight bars represent the eight major islands of the state of Hawaii. The kapu sticks, or Pulo'ulo'u, symbolize authority and protection. The star in the center of the medallion is the Star of Hawaii, the 50th star on the flag of the United States. This star also represents the honorees of this prestigious award.

Maltese Cross: The Maltese Cross represents the four directional axes of the globe, denoting Hawaii as the Crossroads of the Pacific.

Sun Rays: The irradiant sun is symbolic of the new era. Its position in the center of the Maltese Cross represents our sunny shores and warm hearts ever shining on all the corners of the world.

The Neck Drape: The neck drape is red and golden yellow in color. These colors symbolize the royal monarchy that once ruled these islands. The red represents courage and strength. The golden yellow depicts the honor that the recipients have brought to our islands.

Service Ribbon & Attachment: The service ribbon represents distinguished service. Its colors are identical to the colors of the neck drape. The attachment device at the middle of the ribbon is an ancient flag or puela of Hawaiian Chiefs. In olden times, the puela was raised above the sail of the ancient Hawaiians' canoes while at sea. Our puela signifies that the person receiving this medal is of high rank or honor.

JOINT SESSION OF THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE SENATE CHAMBER March 29, 2011 2:00 P.M.

HAWAII MEDAL OF HONOR PROGRAM

Call to Order	Senate President Shan S. Tsutsui
Posting of the Colors	United States Pacific Command Joint Service Color Guard Hawaii Air National Guard Royal Guard
National Anthem and Hawaii Pono'i	Ms. Jennifer L.Z. Lee
Invocation	Raymond Ganotise MSG (Ret.), Hawaii Army National Guard
Welcome and Introduction of Guests	Senate President Shan S. Tsutsui
Governor's Message	Governor Neil Abercrombie
Military Address	Major General Darryll D.M. Wong
Hawaii Medal of Honor Presentation	House Speaker Calvin K.Y. Say Senate President Shan S. Tsutsui Governor Neil Abercrombie Major General Darryll D.M. Wong
Presentation of Certificates	Lieutenant Governor Brian Schatz Senator Will Espero Representative Henry J.C. Aquino
Rendering of Honors	United States Navy Detachment Honor Guard
21-Gun Salute/Taps	Hickam Base Honor Guard
Taps	Marine Forces Pacific Band
Closing Remarks	House Speaker Calvin K.Y. Say
Retiring of the Colors	

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- United States Army Corporal Sean M. Collins

Specialist Olsen was awarded the HMOH in 2007; however, his family will be receiving the award at this year's ceremony.

From House Bill 8, designated as Act 21, Session Laws of Hawaii of 2005:

"The purpose of this Act is to provide for a Hawaii Medal of Honor that would help express the deep appreciation and gratitude of the People of Hawaii to the loved ones of members of the military who sacrificed their lives in defense of our nation and its freedoms."

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Rose Lee, Rose Lee's Alterations
Ty & Cindy Tamanaha, Awardline
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 Paul DePrey, USS Arizona Memorial & World War II Valor in the
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 Gerald Hofwolt, USS Bowfin Submarine Museum & Park
 Michael Carr, Battleship Missouri Memorial
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