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GENERAL SERVICES A TASK FORCE TO PLAN AND COORDINATE THE
CELEBRATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HAWAII STATE
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OF
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TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEES
ON
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
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Chair Dela Cruz, Chair Taniguchi, and members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on S.C.R. 167 / S.R. 103.

The Department of Accounting and General Services supports S.C.R. 167 / S.R. 103 and will work collaboratively with the task force and other interested parties if legislative funding, which does not adversely impact the Executive Budget, is provided to effectuate the purpose of these measures.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on this matter.



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Chair Dela Cruz, Chair Taniguchi, and members of the Committees, I am
Jonathan Johnson, executive director of the State Foundation on Culture and the
Arts (SFCA) and I am pleased to testify in support of SCR 167/SR 103.

Recognizing the significant role culture and art plays in the identity of
Hawai'i, art has been integrated into Hawai'i public buildings since the origin of
our Hawai'i State Capitol. Our civic planners laid the foundation for
incorporating works of art in state buildings by creating a state capitol, uniquely
designed to reflect our island state.

The Capitol building itself, with its rotunda open to Hawaii's brilliant blue
skies, its statuesque palm-like columns, the volcanic shaped chambers, and
stunning mosaic mural by Tadashi Sato, chamber chandeliers by Otto Piene and
exquisite tapestries by Ruthadell Anderson is referred to as a "modernist
expression of civic ideals."

With the passing of time, it is important to celebrate and commemorate
endeavors of significance to inform future generations of this great states legacy.
This task force has an opportunity to celebrate the unique qualities of the
Hawai'i State Capitol as a reminder of the distinctive characteristics that shape
our great state.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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For hearing on Tuesday, March 31, 2015

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT, WITH PROPOSED ADDITION

Dear legislators, it's wonderful to plan for celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Hawaii state Capitol in 2019.

But of course there would be no state Capitol unless there were a State of Hawaii.

And as it happens, 2019 will also be the 60th anniversary of Hawaii statehood.

Therefore please amend this resolution to broaden it to include planning for celebration of both the 50th anniversary of the Capitol and the 60th anniversary of Hawaii Statehood. Why not have both celebrations combined into a single event? Save money and appeal to a wider audience.