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Testimony in support of SCR220/SR180

Submitted by Amy Agbayani, co-chair

Filipinx Advocacy Network (FAN)

We support SCR220/SR 180 Recognizing the 75th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the United States and the Philippines.

Philippines, United States and the state of Hawai'i have a long shared history as it relates to annexation, recruitment of laborers to work on sugar plantation, World War II, immigration and the growth of the Filipino-American community in Hawai'i. The ties between the people of the Philippines and the state of Hawaii are strong and mutually beneficial.

We support this resolution recognizing the 75th anniversary of diplomatic relations between two sovereign independent countries on July 4 and request your support.

Amy Agbayani, co-chair Filipinx Advocacy Network (FAN)

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Kit Zulueta Furukawa	Individual	Support	No

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As a former president of the Filipino Young Leaders Program (FYLPRO), an international nonprofit which develops a pipeline of leaders in the United States and help strengten the bridge between the US and the Philippines, it is my honor to submit testimony in **support** of this recognition.

With four million - and counting - Filipinos in the United States, recognizing and understanding the history between our nations are instrumental in our path moving forward.

We continue to celebrate this milestone with an economic recovery event between our sister cities in the month of October for the MabuHI Pacific Virtual Expo and Summit. www.mabuhiexpo.com

Mahalo for your support!

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Dear Chair Taniguchi, Vice-Chair Ihara, and Members of the Committee on Labor, and Culture:

I am writing in strong support of SCR 220/SR 180 recognizing the significant milestone marking the 75th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the United States and the Philippines. I was born in the Philippines and grew up in Hawaii surrounded by the rich cultural heritage of my birthplace, our state, and nation. Strengthening the relationship between Hawaii and the Philippines is mutually advantageous and fosters greater understanding and sharing of resources. An example is the new initiative bringing teachers to Lanai, where a great percentage of the residents are Filipinos, to fill the teacher shortage.

The Philippine Consulate General in Honolulu is very much a part of the fabric of the Filipino-American-Hawaii culture and traditions and I appreciate the role it plays it fostering the relationship between Hawaii and the Philippines.

Respectfully,

Agnes Respicio Malate, PhD