STAND. COM. REP. NO. STAND. COM. REP. NO. STAND. COM. REP. NO. STAND. -22 Honolulu, Hawaii MAR 2 9 RE: H.C.R. No. 15

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 15 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 17 AS ST. PATRICK'S DAY IN HONOR OF SAINT PATRICK AND IN RECOGNITION OF THE LONGSTANDING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN IRELAND AND THE UNITED STATES AND THE NOTEWORTHY CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF IRISH-AMERICANS TO OUR NATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to recognize March 17 as St. Patrick's Day in honor of Saint Patrick and in recognition of the longstanding relationship between Ireland and the United States and the noteworthy contributions and achievements of Irish-Americans to the United States.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies and one individual.

Your Committee finds that although St. Patrick's Day began as a religious holiday, in America it has become a celebration of Irish culture and history by peoples of diverse ethnicities and cultures with parades, festivals, traditional Irish music sessions, and other activities that honor and celebrate the life

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of Saint Patrick and recognize the contributions and achievements of the Irish to America's melting pot of people and cultures.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 15 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs,

CEDRIC ASUEGA GATES, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 15 Committee Referral: CA1, JHA Date: 03-16-2022				
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Image: Pass, unamended (as is) Image: Pass, with amendments (HD) Image: Hold Image: Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
CAI Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. GATES, Cedric Asuega (C)	1		 	
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3. HAR, Sharon E.				
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TOTAL (7)				
The recommendation is: Adopted I Not Adopted If joint referral,				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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