

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3960**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAY 01 2024**

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 577

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 577, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

CHAIRPERSON, STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE & THE ARTS

G.M. No. 577      KONRAD NG,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2027,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Konrad Ng for service on the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Konrad Ng from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; State Foundation on Culture and the Arts; Hawai'i International Film Festival; The Peale Center for Baltimore History and Architecture, Inc.; and five individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Dr. Ng's experience and knowledge qualify him for appointment as the Chairperson of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. Your Committee notes that Dr. Ng has been involved in the Arts for twenty-three years, including his most recent position as the Executive Director of Shangri La Museum of Islamic Art, Culture & Design in Honolulu. Dr. Ng's previous experience as a senior executive, curator, and educator includes working for the Smithsonian Institution, University of Hawai'i at Manoa, Honolulu Museum of Art, and Hawaii International Film Festival. In

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addition to his professional experience, Dr. Ng is active in the arts community, holding member positions on the Hawaii Public Radio Board of Directors, Center for Asian American Media National Advisory Board, and Asian American Literary Review Advisory Board. Your Committee finds that Dr. Ng's extensive expertise in the arts will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. Your Committee therefore recommends that Konrad Ng be appointed to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts based on his experience, knowledge, and commitment to the arts.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Transportation and  
Culture and the Arts,



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CHRIS LEE, Chair



