

March 30, 2026

Re: Testimony for

HCR 188/HR178/

HCR51/HR47/

HCR50/HR 46

HCR 49

HCR 48

TO: COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

Rep. Adrian K. Tam, Chair – Rep Shirley Ann Templo, Vice Chair
Rep. Ikaika Hussey, Reb. Kyle T. Yamashita, Rep. Greggor Hagan, Rep Joe Gedeon

The listed Agenda for March 31st, 2026, at 10:00 am for the Committee on Tourism is a priority for the State of Hawai`i. Each of these bills is favorable for tourism and facilitates sustainable development. I personally agree that tourism is our breadbasket for our people, their families, and their businesses. The employment that tourism supports is equal to our most important economic assets.

Please pass in Committee today for each hearing on this agenda. Hawai`i Tourism Authority is a respected State of Hawaii frontrunner that has delivered expert development and sustainable progress. They have created marketing for Hawai`i as the eighth most desirable destination. in the world. It may be the eighth or tenth in the world, and it matters for all of us.

Mahalo for your consideration. The time for support of TOURISM IS NOW.

Aloha

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