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**Monday, September 25, 2017**

The Senate of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Second Special Session of 2017, was called to order at 10:03 a.m., by Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice President of the Senate, in accordance with the following Proclamation, which was read by the Clerk and was placed on file:

*"Proclamation*

September 19, 2017

I, Ronald D. Kouchi, President of the Senate of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, pursuant to the power vested in me by Section 10, Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, and at the written request of two-thirds of the members to which the Senate is entitled, do hereby convene the Senate in Special Session as sought in the petition at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Monday, September 25, 2017, in the State Capitol Senate Chambers, for the purpose of carrying out its responsibilities established by Section 3, Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

/s/ Ronald D. Kouchi  
Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate"

The Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators Chang, Dela Cruz, Gabbard, Inouye, Kouchi, Nishihara, Ruderman, Thielen, Tokuda, and Wakai who were excused.

At this time, Senator Baker welcomed Lily Baker from Lahaina, who was present in the gallery with office manager Mary Kate Murray.

**MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 1 and 2) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Gov. Msg. No. 1, submitting for consideration and confirmation, the nomination of HENRY T. NAKAMOTO to the State of Hawai'i Third Circuit Court, for a term of ten years, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Gov. Msg. No. 2, submitting for consideration and confirmation, the nomination of ROBERT D. S. KIM to the State of Hawai'i Third Circuit Court, for a term of ten years, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

At this time, Senator Taniguchi announced that the Committee on Judiciary would be holding a public hearing on Gov. Msg. Nos. 1 and 2 at 11:00 a.m. in Conference Room 016.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

On motion by Senator Espero, seconded by Senator English and carried unanimously, the Clerk was authorized to receive standing committee reports on Gov. Msg. Nos. 1 and 2. In

consequence thereof, and subsequent to its recessing at 10:07 a.m., the Senate took the following actions:

Senator Taniguchi, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1) recommending that the Senate consent to the nomination of HENRY T. NAKAMOTO to the Circuit Court of the Third Circuit, State of Hawaii, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 1.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1 and Gov. Msg. No. 1 was deferred until Tuesday, September 26, 2017.

Senator Taniguchi, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2) recommending that the Senate consent to the nomination of ROBERT D.S. KIM to the Circuit Court of the Third Circuit, State of Hawaii, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 2.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2 and Gov. Msg. No. 2 was deferred until Tuesday, September 26, 2017.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 4:30 p.m., the Senate adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 26, 2017.