
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING A DRAFT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION
BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE LEAGUE OF CITIES OF THE
PHILIPPINES.

1 WHEREAS, the United States of America and the Republic of
2 the Philippines will benefit tremendously from the promotion of
3 international friendship and understanding and the
4 accomplishment of lasting peace and prosperity; and
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6 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii has a particular interest in
7 promoting ties, friendship, and goodwill with the Philippines
8 because a substantial number of persons of Filipino descent, who
9 reside in the State of Hawaii, contribute significantly to the
10 prosperity and development of the State and desire to maintain
11 close cultural, commercial, and financial bridges with their
12 relatives, friends, and business counterparts living in the
13 Philippines; and
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15 WHEREAS, furthermore, the Legislature of the State of
16 Hawaii has passed laws on matters of interest to the Philippines
17 such as land use, conservation of environmental and natural
18 resources, alternative and renewable energy sources, water and
19 sewerage management, juvenile justice, education, public health,
20 mass transportation, housing, and tourism; and
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22 WHEREAS, the League of Cities of the Philippines is a non-
23 stock, non-profit corporation created by the Eighth Congress of
24 the Republic of the Philippines to seek opportunities for
25 cooperation in the fields of economics, trade, culture,
26 education, health, tourism, and environmental protection to
27 benefit economic and social development of cities in the
28 Philippines; and
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1 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii and the League of Cities of
 2 the Philippines share common goals of fostering strong and
 3 effective local governments, developing camaraderie, and sharing
 4 knowledge and capacities amongst local governments of different
 5 countries; and

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 7 WHEREAS, to achieve these goals, a Memorandum of
 8 Understanding and Cooperation between the State of Hawaii and
 9 the League of Cities of the Philippines has been drafted that
 10 strengthens political, social, and economic cooperation between
 11 these parties; now, therefore,

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 13 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 14 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
 15 of 2012, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature recognizes
 16 the Memorandum of Understanding and Cooperation between the
 17 State of Hawaii and the League of Cities of the Philippines and
 18 acknowledges the importance of implementing strategies to
 19 fulfill its objectives; and

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 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 22 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the
 23 Republic of the Philippines, the Embassy of the United States
 24 Manila, Governor of the State of Hawaii, Mayor of the City &
 25 County of Honolulu, Mayor of the County of Kauai, Mayor of the
 26 County of Maui, Mayor of the County of Hawaii, Director of
 27 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, Executive Director
 28 of the Hawaii Tourism Authority, the Department of Interior and
 29 Local Government of the Philippines, President of the League of
 30 Cities of the Philippines, President of the Filipino Chamber of
 31 Commerce of Hawaii, and Chair of the Honolulu Filipino Junior
 32 Chamber of Commerce.

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