

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1772

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 26

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Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 26, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE EMPOWERMENT OF YOUNG WOMEN BY ANNUALLY RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 11 AS THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to empower young women by annually recognizing October 11 as the International Day of the Girl.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks!. Your committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that worldwide, girl children are often at greater risk of being exposed to and encountering various forms of discrimination and violence. This discrimination and violence often results in less access for girls to quality education, nutrition, and physical and mental health care, which creates disadvantages in childhood that can have a cyclical effect in later life, leading women to face further discrimination, violence, and neglect. Empowering girls through the active support of their families and communities is crucial to breaking

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the cycle of discrimination and violence and promoting and protecting the full and effective enjoyment of women's and girls' rights.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Recognizing only October 11, 2021, as International Day of the Girl, rather than on an annual basis; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 S.C.R. No. 26, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 26, S.D. 1, H.D. 1.

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



CEDRIC ASUEGA GATES, Chair



