

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 4099

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAY 03 2022

RE: H.C.R. No. 69

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2022  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 69 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF  
SEPTEMBER 2022 AS CHILD CARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION MONTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Designate the month of September 2022 as Child Care Provider Appreciation Month; and
- (2) Encourage all policy makers, community organizations, and residents in Hawaii to recognize the critical importance of child care, especially during early childhood, and child care providers and their services.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Executive Office on Early Learning, Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks!, Early Childhood Action Strategy, and four individuals.

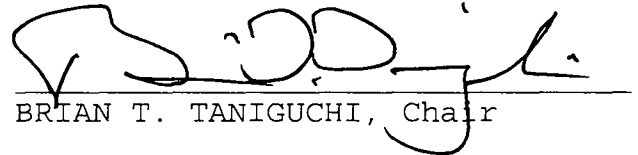
Your Committee finds that early childhood is a critical development period for an individual, and therefore, it is critical that young children receive consistent care and nurturing from early childhood educators who are skilled, educated, competent, and appropriately compensated. Your Committee finds however, due to racist and sexist beliefs that child care services



do not deserve appropriate compensation because the work is largely performed by women of color, the average wage of child care workers in Hawaii is currently less than \$30,000 a year. By designating the month of September 2022 as Child Care Provider Appreciation Month, this measure acknowledges the importance of child care, especially during early childhood, and the critical role child care providers play in the development of children in Hawaii, and encourages all policy makers, community organizations, and residents in Hawaii to do the same.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 69, and recommends its adoption.

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



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate  
 Thirty-First Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley	✓			
KEOHOKALOOLE, Jarrett				✓
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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