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THE  
 TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE  
 STATE OF HAWAII  
 SPECIAL SESSION OF 2017  
 JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE

FIRST DAY

**Monday, August 28, 2017**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, and the Proclamation issued by Senate President Ronald D. Kouchi and House Speaker Scott K. Saiki on August 24, 2017, the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii convened in Special Session on Monday, August 28, 2017.

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, member of the Twenty-Sixth District, having been elected Speaker of the House of Representatives on the Sixtieth Day of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature and retaining that position under the provision of Rule 1.5 of the Rules of the House of Representatives, called the House to order at 10:04 o'clock a.m.

The Chair then called upon the Clerk who read the Legislature's Proclamation as follows:

"The Legislature  
 STATE CAPITOL  
 HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

August 24, 2017

**Proclamation**

I, Ronald D. Kouchi, President of the Senate of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, and I, Scott K. Saiki, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, pursuant to the power vested in Article III, section 10 of the Hawaii State Constitution, and at the written request of two-thirds of the members to which each house is entitled, do hereby convene the Legislature in special session at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 28, 2017, in the chambers of the Hawaii State Capitol, as sought in the petition, for the purpose of considering legislation and to provide each chamber with an opportunity to discharge any further business if necessary.

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

/s/ Scott K. Saiki  
 Scott K. Saiki  
 Speaker of the House of Representatives"

The following petitions from the members of the House of Representatives and of the Senate were also attached:

**"HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

STATE OF HAWAII  
 STATE CAPITOL  
 HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

July 7, 2017

We, the undersigned members of the House of Representatives, 29th Legislature, hereby petition to convene in Special Session on August 28, 2017, primarily for the purpose of considering legislation to address rail financing and the City and County of Honolulu's adherence to its Full Funding Grant Agreement with the Federal Transit Administration.

Signed by Representatives Aquino, Belatti, Choy, Creagan, Cullen, Evans, Fukumoto, Gates, Hashem, Holt, Ichiyama, Ing, Johanson,

Keohokalole, Kobayashi, Kong, Lee, LoPresti, Lowen, McKelvey, Mizuno, Morikawa, Nakamura, Nakashima, Onishi, Quinlan, Saiki, San Buenaventura, Souki, Takayama, Takumi, Todd, Woodson and Yamane."

"The Legislature  
 STATE CAPITOL  
 HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

August 2, 2017

To the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives

Your petitioners, members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, respectfully request that a special session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i be convened at 10:00 a.m. on August 28, 2017, at the Hawai'i State Capitol, pursuant to Article III, section 10 of the Hawai'i State Constitution.

Signed by Senators Baker, Dela Cruz, English, Espero, Galuteria, Harimoto, Ihara, Inouye, Keith-Agaran, Kidani, Kouchi, Nishihara, Rhoads, Shimabukuro, Taniguchi, Tokuda and Wakai."

The invocation was delivered by Mr. Roth Puahala of the Office of Representative Daniel Holt, after which the Roll was called showing all Members present with the exception of Representatives Har, Hashem, Matsumoto and Yamashita, who were excused.

**GOVERNOR'S MESSAGES**

The following message from the Governor (Gov. Msg. No. 101) was received and announced by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 101, dated August 23, 2017, transmitting proposed measures for consideration to fund agreements with the University of Hawaii Professional Assembly Unit 7 and the United Public Workers Units 1 and 10 (Institutional, Health and Correctional Workers).

**INTRODUCTIONS**

The following introductions were made to the Members of the House:

REMARKS DELIVERED:      Rep. Keohokalole  
                                          Rep. Ohno  
                                          Rep. Morikawa  
                                          Rep. DeCoite

At 10:12 o'clock a.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 10:20 o'clock a.m.

**ORDER OF THE DAY****INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions (H.R. Nos. 1 and 2) were announced by the Clerk and the following action taken:

H.R. No. 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION ELECTING THE VICE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE," was offered by Representative Evans.

On motion by Representative Evans, seconded by Representative Tupola and carried, H.R. No. 1 was adopted, with Representatives Har, Hashem, Matsumoto and Yamashita being excused.

At this time, Vice Speaker Della Au Belatti was presented with lei by Representative Aaron Ling Johanson on behalf of the House of Representatives.

H.R. No. 2 entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AND RECOGNIZING AMENDMENTS TO THE CAUCUS LEADERSHIP OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE," was offered by Representative Evans.

On motion by Representative Evans, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.R. No. 2 was adopted, with Representatives Har, Hashem, Matsumoto and Yamashita being excused.

By unanimous consent, the following resolution (H.R. No. 3) was referred to Printing and further action was deferred:

H.R. No. 3, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION AMENDING THE STANDING COMMITTEES AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE," was offered by Representative Saiki.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:22 o'clock a.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Ward and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until 10:00 o'clock a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, August 29, 2017. (Representatives Har, Hashem, Matsumoto and Yamashita were excused.)