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HCR 174/HR 109 URGING PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA TO SELECT A LOCATION IN HAWAII AS THE SITE FOR HIS PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY

Aloha, Chair Manahan, Vice Chair Tokioka and members of the House Committee on Tourism, Culture and International Affairs. I wish to express my support for this resolution. The possibility of having the President Obama Library here in Hawai'i is exciting because it would be a perfect fit for our Islands and recognizes the fact that he is the first United States President from Hawai'i.

The Obama family enjoys a special connection with the University of Hawai'i, so we are certainly intrigued at this possibility and look forward to working with others in our community to explore the potential for making the President Obama Library a reality.

Mahalo for your consideration of this resolution.