

SCR

14



SENATOR DENNIS EGAN

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Linda Menard
FROM: Senator Dennis Egan
SUBJECT: SCR14 Hearing Request
DATE: 3/9/2010

I respectfully request a hearing on Senate Concurrent Resolution, "Recognizing October 2010 as Filipino American History Month."

Senate Concurrent Resolution 14 commemorates the contributions of Filipino-Americans to the history and heritage of our state and nation by celebrating October 2010 as Filipino American History Month.

Thank you for considering a hearing on SCR14. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Sen. Dennis Egan

Enclosed please find:

- Sponsor statement
- Most current version of the bill
- Letters of Support (forthcoming)
- Teleconference services needed for testimony (forthcoming)

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SENATOR DENNIS EGAN

Senate Concurrent Resolution 14: "Filipino American History Month"

Senate Concurrent Resolution 14 is meant to dedicate October as Filipino American History Month in Alaska, commemorating the contributions of Filipino-Americans to the history and heritage of our state and nation.

Filipinos have a rich history and culture in Alaska. The first recorded Filipino in Alaska came aboard a ship from the Philippines in 1788. In early Alaska history, Filipinos worked on whaling ships, in the Alaska-Juneau and Treadwell mines, and in the canneries. The Filipino-American community now is the largest Asian-American group in Alaska, with 18,000 people.

Filipinos enrich our history and heritage. I've introduced Senate Resolution 14 to celebrate October 2010 as Filipino American History Month in Alaska. I urge your support of this legislation.



FILIPINO COMMUNITY, INC.

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March 9, 2010

Senator Dennis Egan
Alaska State Senate
State Capitol, Room 510
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Senator Egan,

On behalf of the Filipino Community, Inc. in Juneau, Alaska I would like to extend our gratitude for your introduction of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14, recognizing October 2010 as Filipino American History Month.

It is indeed an honor for Filipinos to be recognized for their contributions to the State of Alaska, especially here in Juneau; and likewise across the nation by the U.S. Congress in recently proclaiming October as Filipino American History Month.

The Articles of Incorporation of the Filipino Community, Inc. identifies our purpose as to *"foster better and harmonious relationships, understanding and brotherhood among ourselves and with other ethnic groups, and to keep alive our Filipino heritage, culture, customs and traditions..."*.

SCR 14 adds significant emphasis to our purpose and we gratefully and wholeheartedly extend our support for its passage. We respectfully request all of the Alaska State Legislature to grant favorable consideration of its passage.

Sincerely,

//s//

Jenny Gomez Strickler
President

Senator Linda Menard
Alaska State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801

March 15, 2010

Dear Senator Menard and Members of the Senate State Affairs Committee:

This is a letter of support for SCR 14 Recognizing October 2010 as Filipino American History Month.

In 1988, the Filipino American National Historical Society (FANHS) established October as Filipino American History Month. This was in recognition of the fact that the earliest recorded presence of Filipinos in the United States was on October 18, 1587 in Morro Bay, California.

The state of Washington passed a resolution recognizing Filipino American History Month two weeks ago. California passed their resolution last year. Oregon is currently deliberating their resolution. The State of Florida has made a proclamation. The 111th U.S. Congress introduced a resolution in 2009 recognizing Filipino American History Month.

Alaska has a growing population of Filipino descent. The earliest recorded presence in Alaska was 1788. The first Filipino to be elected to a state legislature in the United States was Thelma Buchholdt, who served in the Alaska State House as a Representative from 1974-1982. She was the founder of the Alaska Chapter of FANHS and served as President of the national organization until she passed away in November of 2007.

My fellow FANHS members had their national meeting in Anchorage in 2008. A topic of discussion amongst all 26 chapters was this effort for statewide and hopefully national recognition. I would like to see the people of our great state and I know my fellow colleagues at FANHS would like to see the United States observe Filipino American History Month with appropriate efforts to educate and celebrate the long history of peoples of Filipino descent in the United States.

Sincerely,



Christine R. Marasigan, Trustee
Filipino American National Historical Society

Sarah Munson

From: Alida Bus
Sent: Friday, March 12, 2010 1:12 PM
To: Sarah Munson
Subject: SCR 14 Testimony

Sarah!

Happy snowy Friday to you!

The following individuals will be present in Juneau at Tuesday's hearing on SCR 14 to provide testimony -

Dante Reyes, Finance Manager and former President of the Filipino Community, Inc. (FCI)
Ellery Lumbab, Artistic Director of the Alitaptap Philippine Folkloric Group of the FCI
Arlene Lumbab, Director on the Board of Directors of the FCI

There may be a few more, but I haven't heard from them yet. How much testimony do you want? I hope this is ok.

Thanks,

Alida Bus

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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

First Committee of Referral

DATE: 2/24/10

FURTHER:

Date of 5-Day Notice: _____
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED
IN TO OFFICE: 3/16/10

State Affairs Committee considered SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 14

SCR 14 FILIPINO AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

Recognizing October 2010 as Filipino American History Month.

and recommends:

- be replaced with SCS or CS _____ (_____)
- adopt previous SCS or CS _____ (_____)
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt _____ Letter of Intent
- further referral to _____ Committee

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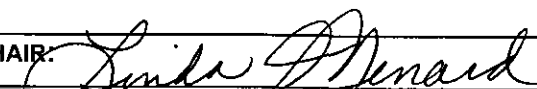
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PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

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APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

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	Meyer	✓			
	PASKVAN	X			
CHAIR: 	MENARD	✓			