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**City Council Trip To Yangzhou & Nanjing Cities, China
By: Councilman Rod Tam**

**Council Trip: September 25, 2008 to October 3, 2008
(Travel airline arrangements enclosed.)**

As a city councilman who has a strong interest in the present and future economy of the City & County of Honolulu, especially in relationship to Asian countries and their cities, I was invited by the city governments of Yangzhou and Nanjing Cities, China. (Invitations enclosed.)

Yangzhou City, China

Arrived in Yangzhou, China on Friday, September 26, 2008 in the evening in automobile from Shanghai, China airport.

Travel itinerary enclosed.

- **Saturday, September 27, 2008.**
At Shuang Dong Historic District 7 Exhibit Center met with Mr. Zhang Jiaren, Vice Bureau Chief of Yangzhou Landscape Garden Bureau to discuss landscape technicians exchange.

At lunch met with Mr. Wang Ke Sheng, Yangzhou Vice Director of Tourism Bureau and Ms. Zhang Jingzia, Executive Vice Mayor of Yangzhou. Discussed international relationships between Honolulu and Yangzhou. Specifically, their official visit to Honolulu, Hawaii in October 2008 invited by me.

Boat tour of Yangzhou green city with Yangzhou City government officials and foreign country government officials attending Expo Convention.

Formal meeting with _____, Mayor of Yangzhou, Mr. Zou Mingrong, Ambassador & Executive Vice Chairman of China National Committee for Pacific Economic Cooperation, and Mr. Weu Daocai, Vice Mayor of Yangzhou. Yangzhou City has four vice mayors. Established introductory relationship between Honolulu and Yangzhou in preparation of Yangzhou's Mayor visit to Honolulu in October 2008.

- Sunday, September 28, 2008

Business meeting with Mr. Liu Jun, president of Yangzhou Hong Yuan Tour Chemical Co. Ltd. Mr. Liu introduced his desire to sell his hotel toiletries to Hawaii.

Formal lunch meeting with Associate Professor and Vice Party Secretary Ms. Mei Jiping of Jiangsu Vangzhou Higher Commercial Vocational School. Discussed international student/teacher exchange.

Business meeting with Mr. Blake Max, marketing manager of Tiansmy Co. Mr. Max introduced his desire to sell his company's hotel toiletries to Hawaii.

Met and toured with Mr. Wang, director/manager of Yangzhou's new economic development community. Formal dinner with Mr. Wang and Ms. Deng Qing, director Yangzhou Municipal Foreign Affairs Office.

Nanjing, China

- Introduced to Nanjing, China. Host: Mr. Wang Dz Long, Director of Office reception of Communist Party of China Provincial Party Committee in Jiang Su Province.
- Monday, September 29, 2008. Arrived in Nanjing, China and met with Mr. Wang over lunch to discuss international relationship between City & County of Honolulu and Nanjing City. Economic and cultural exchanges were discussed. Mr. Wang provided the itinerary of my 4 day stay in Nanjing to better understand the economy, cultural lifestyle, and history of Nanjing (itinerary enclosed).
- Thursday, October 2, 2008. Left Nanjing, China on Thursday morning by train to Shanghai, China in order to fly home (Honolulu, HI). Train ride to Shanghai was over 3 hours.

Shanghi, China

- Thursday, October 2, 2008 afternoon. Arrived in Shanghai train. Taxi to hotel for overnight in order to fly home on Friday, October 3, 2008 mid morning flight, Japan Airlines.
- Met with M/M Donald Lee, residents of Shanghai, China to learn about Shanghai City's economy in the afternoon and evening.
- Friday, October 3, 2008 mid morning. Left Shanghai, China on Japan Airlines to return home (Honolulu, HI).

The trip to Yangzhou, Nanjing and Shanghai accomplished to following:

- Official diplomatic relationships with government officials and businessmen and businesswomen. The City & County of Honolulu is now recognized for its international cultures and heritages, a leader in tourism, and the center for East-West international relationships.
- Government and business leaders will promote and invest into Hawaii's economy. The economies of China's cities are doing well economically and have cash to invest in international businesses. Thus, China's economy is financially well as compared to the United States of America in the mainland, European countries, Japan, etc. Hawaii will do well to focus on international business relations with China instead of waiting for the mainland U.S.A. to develop a better economy financially and receive the financial benefits as after effects.

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CLAIM FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Date: 10/20/08

****Revised: 10/30/08**

John Wong
10-30-08

Traveler: Rodney Tam (District 6)
 Event: 2nd China Yangzhou World Canal Cities Expo & Forum
 Location: Yangzhou & Nanjing, China
 Dates: From September 25 To September 28, 2008

Description	Amount	Notes
1. Registration Fee		
2. Airfare	950.00	
3. Hotel	83.54	Rate: No. of Billable Days:
4. Meals	321.43	
5. Ground Transportation	12.58	
6. Tips		
7. Other		
Other		**Additional taxi fare - \$18.29
Other		
8. Adjustment		NEW TOTAL - \$1,385.84**
TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 1,367.55	

This is to certify that the above data, based upon receipts submitted to Council Administrative Support Services via a CCLTRVL02 form, is accurate. Further, I am claiming reimbursement for expenses associated with a trip in which City business was conducted and personal funds were used to advance payment:



 Signature of Traveler

10/23/08

 Date