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MEMORANDUM

TO: Heather Murakami

FROM: Councilmember Kymberly Marcos Pine

RE: Travel Report for the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii 2018 Hawaii on the Hill Conference

Attached you will find my travel report for the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii's 5th Annual Hawaii on the Hill Conference from June 11, 2018 to June 15, 2018.

Thank you.

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2018 COC – Hawaii on the Hill

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**Chamber of Commerce Hawaii
2018 Hawaii on the Hill Conference
June 11, 2018 – June 15, 2018
Washington, D.C.**

Report by Kymberly Marcos Pine, Honolulu City Councilmember District 1

BACKGROUND

Hawaii on the Hill is an annual conference in Washington, D.C. hosted by the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii (COC). The annual conference drew approximately 150 delegates from Hawaii, including Senate President Ron Kouchi, Mayor Caldwell, and Mayor Carvalho of Kauai, as well as many elected officials, and 80 businesses. More than 2,000 attended the various events held by the COC in Washington, D.C. The primary mission of the conference and related events were to connect Hawaii's political and business leaders with similar leaders in Washington, D.C., promote Hawaii's business and political institutions, and to learn about political trends that will affect government and business in Hawaii in the near future.

This year's conference was the 5th annual, and was held at various locations around Washington, D.C., including the Capital Hilton, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Headquarters, the Japanese Ambassador's Residence, the Russell Senate Office Building, Hart Senate Office Building, and the National Museum of African American History & Culture.

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Monday, June 11, 2018

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Leadership Dinner

Attended the COC – Hawaii on the Hill Leadership Dinner with COC staff, honorary delegates, and representatives from select Hawaii businesses.

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Talk Story with Senator Mazie Hirono

Attended talk story to go over local and national issues with Senator Mazie Hirono, honorary delegates, and select representatives from Hawaii businesses in attendance.

Location: 730 Hart Senate Office Building

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

U.S. Chamber of Commerce and National Association of Manufacturing Briefing

Attended informational briefing on U.S. economy and role of Hawaii manufacturing and business in national and international markets.

Location: National Association of Manufacturing Headquarters, 733 10th Street, Washington, D.C.

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Welcome Reception

Attended the COC Hawaii on the Hill Welcome Reception hosted by the Japanese Ambassador to the United States, Shinsuke Sugiyama, at his official state residence. In attendance also were representatives of the Hawaii congressional delegation, local government leaders, and representatives from Hawaii's business and government communities, along with representatives from Japan's business communities. Speaking at the event, Ambassador Sugiyama welcomed the delegation from Hawaii, and presented his goal of strengthening our long-developed relationship between Japan and Hawaii.

Location: Japanese Ambassador's Residence, 4000 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, D.C.

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Wednesday, June 13, 2018

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Policy Summit

Attended the COC Hawaii on the Hill Policy Summit. The Policy Summit was an opportunity to get an inside perspective from national policymakers in Washington, D.C. on a variety of issues important to businesses in Hawaii and throughout the nation.

This year the speakers on the Policy Summit panel discussed a range of issues that are in the current discussions regarding Hawaii's economic future, including: national defense, entrepreneurship, small business development, energy security, rural agricultural development, U.S.-China relations, and maritime security.

Presenting were the Honorable Lucian Niemeyer, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment from the U.S. Department of Defense, on U.S. Defense Policy, Allan Gutierrez, Associate Administrator of the Office of Entrepreneurial Development from the U.S. Small Business Administration, Senator Maria Cantwell (D-Washington), on business, the Ranking Member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee on energy security, Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D-New York), Ranking Member of the House Appropriations Committee, on budget and appropriations, Ms. Bette Brand, the Rural Business-Cooperative Service Administrator, U.S. Department of Agriculture, on USDA Rural Development, Mr. Scott Mulhauser, founder of Aperture Strategies & Professor at Georgetown University, on U.S.-China relations, Senator Roger Wicker (R-Mississippi), Chair of the Senate Armed Services Subcommittee on Seapower, on maritime security, and Senator Chuck Schumer, Senate Democratic Caucus Minority Leader.

With such a wide range of international policy areas represented, the discussions were insightful and as expected, touched on a wide variety of topics and their relation to Hawaii.

On defense policy, Senator Hirono highlighted her experience on the Senate Armed Services Committee, and the investments made in Hawaii through the Senate version of the National Defense Authorization Act, like the new multi-fuel power plant at Schofield Barracks, and energy projects at the DOD to help finance and accelerate energy resiliency at various military installations, including those in Hawaii.

On small business and entrepreneurship, the conversation delved into the impact natural disasters have on Kauai, Oahu and Hawaii Island, and the specific challenges that small businesses face when disaster strikes and they need to rebuild.

On U.S.-China relations, tourism was a major topic for conversation. As the U.S.'s bilateral relationship with China opens up further, there is more of an opportunity to realize economic gains via tourism in Hawaii. As recent as 2014, the U.S. crafted a major visa deal with China, which extended the time for certain tourist visa to 10 years, for Chinese citizens visiting the U.S.

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On maritime security, Senator Wicker remarked on the need for greater security at sea, and deployments worldwide, especially in the Pacific, as a strategic priority to not only secure the waters but to promote safe commerce.

Location: Russell Senate Office Building, Senate Armed Services Hearing Room, SR 232-A

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Taste of Hawaii

The Taste of Hawaii was one of the signature events at this year's Hawaii on the Hill. The event's purpose was to highlight, on a national stage, some of the best of what Hawaii's food industry businesses have to offer. Companies came to share Hawaii's food, culture and industries with Congressional leaders, National Association executives and other representatives. Made-in-Hawaii goods and the state's industries were collectively brought to our nation's capitol and shared with members of Congress and their staff members.

This initiative provided a meaningful opportunity for local businesses and representatives from the City and County of Honolulu to interface with Hawaii's Congressional Delegation, as well as other Congressional leaders and industry representatives, and showcase our state's pride, melting pot cuisine, customs, industries and ideas.

Location: Hart Senate Office Building, Room 216

Thursday, June 14, 2018

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

National Museum of African American History & Culture

Melanie Ide (Bishop Museum President & CEO) made special arrangements for a private tour of the newest museum on the National Mall. The exhibits were astounding and represented well the story of the African American experience – from the pre-colonial period, through the Revolutionary War, Civil War, the 20th Century and the new experiences and challenges today. A moving and expansive display of our country's history.

Friday, June 15, 2018

7:00 a.m. Departure

Departure at Dulles Airport

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CLAIM FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Date: July 2, 2018

Traveler: Kymberly Pine

Event: 2018 Hawaii on the Hill

Location: Washington, DC

Dates: From June 12, 2018

To June 13, 2018

| Description | Amount | Notes: |
|--------------------------|---------|--------|
| 1. Registration Fee | | |
| 2. Airfare | | |
| 3. Hotel | 1418.92 | |
| 4. Meals | 16.78 | |
| 5. Ground Transportation | 95.85 | |
| 6. Tips | 6.00 | |
| 7. Other | | |
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| 8. Adjustment | | |
| TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT | 1537.55 | |

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

7/2/2018

Date