REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION, TECHNOLOGY & ENTERTAINMENT

Voting Members:
Augie Tulba, Chair; Andria Tupola, Vice Chair;
Esther Kia'āina, Scott Y. Nishimoto, Val A. Okimoto

Committee Meeting Held
February 13, 2025

Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Innovation, Technology & Entertainment, which considered Resolution 25-37 entitled:

"RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE OF HAWAI'I TO CREATE A HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE COMMISSION,"

introduced on January 27, 2025, reports as follows:

The purpose of the Resolution is to urge the State of Hawai'i to establish a Hawaiian Language Commission.

Councilmember Tupola, introducer of the resolution, expressed that there was a lack of laws, policies, and mandates when the Hawaiian Language ("Ō'lelo Hawai'i") became the official language of the State of Hawai'i in 1978. She further stated that February is Mahina 'Ōlelo Hawai'i and this measure is a step forward in acknowledging and perpetuating the Hawaiian language.

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Your Committee on Innovation, Technology & Entertainment is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 25-37 and recommends its adoption. (Ayes: Kia'āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola – 5; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Chair

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