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## RESOLUTION

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TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 11-142 FD1, RELATING TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT TO THE CITY FROM THE TAIPEI ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE IN HONOLULU, CHINA PEOPLE'S MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS AND SHENZHEN DELICATE FURNITURE CO., LTD. OF TRAVEL TO TAIWAN AND MAINLAND CHINA, AND TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 11-186, RELATING TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT TO THE CITY FROM NAGAOKA CITY OF TRAVEL TO NAGAOKA, JAPAN

WHEREAS, Section 13-113 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu provides for the acceptance of gifts to the City by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 05-349, CD1, FD1, establishes a policy of the Council for the solicitation and acceptance of gifts donated to city executive agencies, and

WHEREAS, through a letter dated April 29, 2011, marked as Mayor's Message 65 (2011), the Mayor submitted a request to the Council for acceptance of a gift from the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Honolulu, China People's Municipal Governments, and Shenzhen Delicate Furniture Co., Ltd. of travel to Taiwan and Mainland China, with airfare, ground transportation, accommodations, and meals, from June 4, 2011 to June 20, 2011; and

WHEREAS, at the Council meeting on May 11, 2011, the Council was informed of the five individuals identified as the five delegates who would be utilizing the gift of travel to Taiwan and Mainland China and which five delegates included the Mayor and Mayor's wife, Judith Carlisle; and

WHEREAS, the Council on behalf of the City accepted the gift of travel to Taiwan and Mainland China by adoption of Resolution No. 11-142, FD1, on May 11, 2011; and

WHEREAS, in response to the request by the Council to the Administration submitted at the Council meeting on May 11, 2011, that in the future the Council be apprised of the individuals who have been identified to travel on offers of gift of travel to the City, the Managing Director issued a letter dated May 23, 2011, marked as Mayor's Message 80 (2011), identifying among other individuals and other gifts of travel, that the Mayor and the Mayor's wife Judith Carlisle had been identified as two of the five individuals to travel on behalf of the City under Resolution No. 11-142, FD1; and

WHEREAS, through letter dated June 27, 2011 and marked as Mayor's Message 102 (2011), the Mayor submitted a request to Council for acceptance of a gift from Nagaoka City, Japan of travel for the Mayor and his wife to Nagaoka, Japan, with



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airfare, ground transportation, accommodations, and meals, from August 1, 2011 to August 4, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Council on behalf of the City accepted the gift of travel to Nagaoka, Japan by adoption of Resolution No. 11-186, on July 6, 2011; and

WHEREAS, in response to the May 2011 inquiry by the Mayor to the City Ethics Commission relating to the offer of a proposed gift of travel to Taiwan and the Mainland China, the Ethics Commission issued Advisory Opinion No. 2011-6 on January 25, 2012, concluding that it was improper for the Mayor's wife who is not a City officer or employee, to expend City funds received as a gift to the City in the absence of a specific determination by the Council that the travel of the Mayor's wife was for a public purpose; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that Resolution No. 11-142, FD1 that accepted the gift of travel estimated at \$16,500.00 from the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Honolulu and China Municipal Governments, be amended to specifically include the Council's determination of a City public purpose for the application of the gift of travel by the Mayor's wife, Judith Carlisle, to accompany the Mayor as one of the five delegates to travel to Taiwan and Mainland China between June 4, 2011 and June 20, 2011, and that Resolution No. 11-186 that accepted the gift of travel estimated at \$4,622.40 from Nagaoka City, Japan, be similarly amended to specifically include the Council's determination of a City public purpose for the application of the gift of travel by the Mayor's wife, Judith Carlisle to accompany the Mayor as one of the two delegates to travel to Nagaoka, Japan between August 1, 2011 and August 4, 2011, and that both determinations are based upon the following additional considerations:

- (1) The offers of the gift of travel specifically identified travel by the Mayor and the Mayor's wife;
- (2) Among the purpose of the travel was for the City to strengthen sister-city relationships, for cooperative economic development, and to assist with identifying economic opportunities in the City; and
- (3) Recognized international protocol for some Asian countries is for the wife of the head of the government to accompany the head of the government in travel for economic and cultural exchange; and



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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Clerk is directed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the Mayor.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Councilmembers

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

FEB 22 2012  
Honolulu, Hawaii

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU  
HONOLULU, HAWAII  
C E R T I F I C A T E

**RESOLUTION 12-54**

Introduced: 02/22/12 By: ERNEST MARTIN (BR)

Committee: COUNCIL

Title: RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 11-142 FD1, RELATING TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT TO THE CITY FROM THE TAIPEI ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL OFFICE IN HONOLULU, CHINA PEOPLE'S MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS AND SHENZHEN DELICATE FURNITURE CO., LTD. OF TRAVEL TO TAIWAN AND MAINLAND CHINA, AND TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 11-186, RELATING TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT TO THE CITY FROM NAGAOKA CITY OF TRAVEL TO NAGAOKA, JAPAN.

Links: [RES12-54](#)

Voting Legend: Y= Aye, Y\* = Aye w/Reservations, N = No, A = Absent, ABN = Abstain

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EXECUTIVE                      04/03/12    RESOLUTION DEFERRED IN COMMITTEE.  
MATTERS AND  
LEGAL AFFAIRS

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NOTE: EFFECTIVE AUGUST 16, 2012, COUNCILMEMBER TULSI GABBARD, REPRESENTING COUNCIL DISTRICT VI, RESIGNED FROM OFFICE. (Refer to Communication [CC-231](#))

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NOTE: EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2012, COUNCILMEMBER ROMY M. CACHOLA, REPRESENTING COUNCIL DISTRICT VII RESIGNED FROM OFFICE. (Refer to Communication [CC-298](#))

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ON NOVEMBER 14, 2012, THE APPOINTMENT OF JOEY MANAHAN WAS APPROVED (Refer to [RES12-299](#)) AND HE WAS SWORN INTO OFFICE AS A MEMBER OF THE HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTING DISTRICT VII TO FILL THE REMAINING TERM OF FORMER COUNCILMEMBER ROMY M. CACHOLA.

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NOTE: COUNCILMEMBER FUKUNAGA TOOK OFFICE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2012 FILLING THE VACANCY FOR DISTRICT VI.

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[CC-355](#) HARIMOTO – RE-REFERRAL OF RESOLUTION 12-54 FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE MATTERS AND LEGAL AFFAIRS TO THE COUNCIL FLOOR.

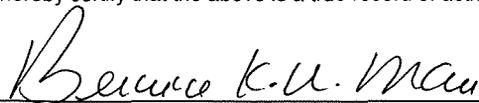
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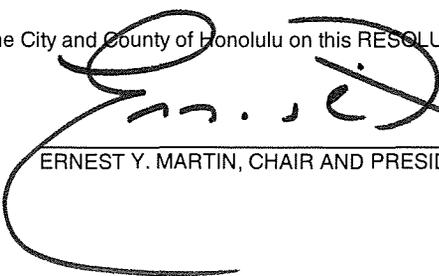
COUNCIL                      12/05/12    RESOLUTION 12-54 WAS ADOPTED.

ANDERSON	Y	BERG	Y	CHANG	Y	FUKUNAGA	Y	GARCIA	Y
HARIMOTO	Y	KOBAYASHI	Y	MANAHAN	Y	MARTIN	Y		

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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.

  
BERNICE K. N. MAU, CITY CLERK

  
ERNEST Y. MARTIN, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER