

- In Memoriam -

Former State Representative George M. “Scotty” Koga

WHEREAS, Representative George “Scotty” Koga was born to Michie and Kiuta Koga, raised in Kapahulu, graduated from Saint Louis School in 1946 and earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from the University of Hawai‘i in 1950; and

WHEREAS, Representative George “Scotty” Koga served in the United States Army as a first lieutenant, went on to graduate from the Georgetown University Law School with a Bachelor of Laws degree in 1956, established a private law practice and worked as chief counsel for the Legal Aid Society of Hawai‘i; and

WHEREAS, Representative George “Scotty” Koga served as a Hawai‘i State Representative from 1959 to 1964, serving as chairman of the Government Efficiency Committee and the vice chairman of the Tourism Committee; and served on the Honolulu City Council from 1965 to 1979, serving as Council chairman between 1971 and 1975; and


WHEREAS, Representative George “Scotty” Koga helped foster international relations between Honolulu and cities throughout Asia and maintained strong governmental ties and friendships with leaders of South Korea; and

WHEREAS, Representative George “Scotty” Koga was co-chairman with the late business executive and philanthropist Robert Midkiff of a committee on the design and location of the Hawai‘i State Capitol and also served on a committee to create the Chaminade University Educational Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Representative George “Scotty” Koga is survived by his wife, Ruth Kamuri Koga; daughter, Suzanne M. Koga; sister, Karen Makiko Okada; granddaughter, Kira Luka Koga-Eisenhauer and extended family;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DAVID IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lt. Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, extend our deepest sympathies and condolences to the Koga ‘ohana on the passing of a husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend; and as a mark of respect for the memory of former State Representative George “Scotty” Koga, hereby order, by the authority vested in us by the Constitution and laws of the State of Hawai‘i, that the National Flag and Hawai‘i State Flag be flown at half-staff at all state offices and agencies as well as the Hawai‘i National Guard from sunrise to sunset on December 12, 2015.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this twelfth day of December 2015.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i



SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai‘i