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MESSAGE FROM REPRESENTATIVE CLIFT TSUJI TO THE ATTENDEES OF THE INTERNATIONAL HORTICULTURE THERAPY CONFERENCES

It is with great honor that I send my warmest *aloha* to each one you today.

Hawaii has a rich agricultural history. The sugar industry was the major economic and social engine in the state for many decades. In recent years, horticulture has become increasingly popular and the trade is a significant contributor to Hawaii's economy.

Another vital aspect to our economy today is tourism. Although visitors from around the world visit Hawaii's shores, tourists from Asia and the Pacific Areas are the most frequent guests, many who make multiple trips within a given year.

I welcome all of you to visit Hawaii and explore opportunities for educational and vocational development in our island state. You will be impressed with the wide array of available activities in a setting that is unlike any other.

Please accept my best wishes for a successful and productive conference. It is my sincere hope that you will have the chance to come to Hawaii and experience the *aloha spirit* for yourself.

CLIFT TSUJI
Hawaii State Representative, Third District