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MAYOR'S MESSAGE NO. 5

December 27, 1963

Honorable Sakae Takahashi
The Senate
Legislature of the State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of December 19.

I fully appreciate your concern about the dedication of the new municipal auditorium complex as a war memorial.

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It most certainly is not our intention to overlook the intent of the 1955 Session and subsequent Legislatures that the auditorium should indeed be a memorial to those who made the supreme sacrifice for their country in time of war.

If, to date, we have possibly been remiss in not emphasizing this important aspect of the new complex, believe me it will be corrected. I assure you that fitting tribute will be paid at any and all ceremonies marking the opening of this joint State and City-County complex.

Of a more permanent nature is the memorial plaque which is being designed by the City Building Department for installation at the new auditorium. This plaque will be dedicated as a tribute to those American men and women who sacrificed their lives in time of war.

I have sent copies of your letter to the program committee which is working on the auditorium dedication ceremony, so that they too, will be fully aware of the war memorial aspect of the facility.

Sincerely,

Neal S. Blaisdell, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Takabuki moved that the communication be referred to the Committee of the Whole. It was so ordered by the Chair.