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**HAWAII SISTER-STATE AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS COMMISSION
MEETING**

Wednesday, May 13, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

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Hawai'i Sister-State and International Partnerships Commission
Meeting Agenda

May 13, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order

A. Roll call

II. Old Business

A. Election of a Chair and Vice Chair

B. Approval of Hawai'i Sister-State and International Partnerships Commission Meeting Minutes for April 13, 2026

C. Discussion and Recommendation on Sister-State Application from Okayama Prefecture, Japan

D. Discussion and Recommendation on Sister-State Application from Yamagata Prefecture, Japan

III. New Business – None

IV. Announcements

A. Hawai'i Philippines Business Symposium, May 19, 2026

B. Hawai'i-Japan Sister-State Summit, May 20-22, 2026

V. Next Meeting

VI. Adjournment

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