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The Honorable Megan Brennan  
Postmaster General  
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW  
Washington, DC 20260

Dear Postmaster General Brennan:

We are aware that the U.S. Postal Service is considering issuing a stamp honoring Americans of Japanese Ancestry (AJA) who served the United States military during World War II. On behalf of the State of Hawai'i, I urge you to approve this very honorable commemorative stamp.

Much has been written to document the heroics of the 442<sup>nd</sup> Regimental Combat Team and the 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion, the most decorated outfit in the history of American Military. The regiment and battalion were comprised primarily of AJA, many whose families were confined in internment camps in the U.S. while they were engaging in combat in various European WWII warfronts.

Having the stamp available this year is very appropriate as it will coincide with the many events that are tied to the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of WWII happening this year.

We humbly request your consideration of this historic commemorative stamp on behalf of the State of Hawai'i and the families of these American heroes.

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i