

**TESTIMONY**  
**GM 487**  
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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair  
The Honorable Russell Kokubun, Vice Chair &  
Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land

RE: **TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT—GM 487** Confirmation to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, LORI LEIMAMO BUCHANAN

Dear Chair Hee, Vice Chair Kokubun & Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of GM 487 which gives consideration and confirmation to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, Ms. Lori Leimamo Buchanan.

I strongly support the confirmation of Ms. Buchanan to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission because she has the experience and knowledge of our land use laws. She served as the Chair of the Moloka'i Planning Commission and dealt with many difficult and controversial issues.

In her current capacity, Ms. Buchanan has experience and the passion to conquer the war on invasive species. She knows the importance of preserving Hawaii's important agricultural lands as well as protecting our natural resources and pristine environment.

An excellent researcher and diligent worker, Ms. Buchanan has a proven record for building consensus and has demonstrated extraordinary leadership. Her commitment and dedication to the community has afforded her the opportunity to make a difference tremendously in many people's lives.

It takes a special kind of person to sacrifice their time and talent in serving their community with the utmost integrity. Lori Buchanan is this person and I know that should she have the opportunity to serve on this commission, she would be an asset to us all.

Please support GM 487 which confirms Ms. Lori Leimamo Buchanan to serve as a commissioner on the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

*Mele Carroll*

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