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The Senate
Committee on Water and Land
Monday, March 24, 2008
2:45 p.m., Conference Room 414
State Capitol

Testimony in Support of GM 532- Gubernatorial Nominee Trae Menard

Aloha Chair Hee, Vice Chair Kokubun, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to ask for your support of Gubernatorial Nominee Trae Menard for the Natural Area Reserve System Commission. Mr. Menard has an impressive history of working on natural resource management projects across the State, and his knowledge of the issues combined with his dedication to protecting natural areas and native species has made him a treasured member of the conservation community. As the program director of The Nature Conservancy on Kaua'i, Mr. Menard is charged with protecting the newly formed Wainiha Preserve, the third largest private nature reserve in the State.

I firmly believe that Mr. Menard's knowledge of natural resource management and his ability to work with the greater conservation community statewide will be a tremendous asset to the Natural Area Reserve Commission. I feel that his actions show his concern for the environment and the people of Hawai'i. I ask that you please support Trae Menard for a term on the Natural Area Reserve System Commission. Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Aloha,

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Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair
Committee on Water and Land
STATE SENATE
State Capitol
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Hee:

Re: The Appointment of Mr. Trae Menard to the Natural Area Reserve System
Commission

Please accept this letter as support for the appointment of Mr. Trae Menard to the Natural Area Reserve System Commission. I believe Mr. Menard is well qualified and will be an asset to the Commission.

As a member of the Kauai Watershed Alliance I have first hand knowledge of his commitment to protecting Hawai'i's natural resources and I believe he will work hard to ensure that the NARS are some of the best managed natural areas in the state.

Please appoint Mr. Menard to the NARS Commission. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Wynne M. Ushigome
Acting Manager & Chief Engineer

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