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January 28, 2008

Representative Ryan I. Yamane, Chair
Representative Joey Manahan, Vice Chair
and Committee Members
Committee on Tourism & Culture
House of Representatives,
2008 Legislature, State of Hawaii

Subject: SB 1035, SD1, Relating To Makahiki Day
Commemoration, SUPPORT

ALOHA Kakou,


My name is Richard Pomaikaiokalani Kinney. As Sovereign of the Hawaiian Political Action Council of Hawaii, I SUPPORT the passage of SB 1035, SD 1.

Makahiki is one parts of the culture of Hawaii that has been dormant for far too many years. As with the Hula, the Hawaiian Language and other parts of Hawaii's culture, Makahiki is also becoming an important culture role in today's Hawaii.

The celebration of Makahiki is greatly enjoyed by the native indigenous people and the general public of Hawaii. Hawaii needs to take her place among the Polynesia nations with a time to harvest.

Once more, HPACH Supports the passage of SB 1035, SD1. Mahalo for the opportunity to give testimony of this Bill.

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January 25, 2008

TO: House Committee on Tourism and Culture
Representative I. Yamane, Chair
Representative Joey Manahan, Vice Chair

FROM: Libby Kimball

RE: **SUPPORT** for **SB 1035** Relating to Makahiki Day Commemoration

I support SB 1035 because ancient Hawaiians celebrated Makahiki as a time for renewal of everything on the land and sea, as well as, of the people. Makahiki represents a time of unity and peace; a time when people set aside their conflicts and worked together toward abundance. We should join the rest of Polynesia and observe the start of Makahiki on November 20th. The legislature has set the pace in moving toward global peace, passing this bill would move us a step closer toward this goal.

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TO: House Committee on Tourism and Culture
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FROM: Anthony Davis

RE: **SUPPORT** for **SB 1035** Relating to Makahiki Day Commemoration

Celebrating ancient customs is vital to our cultural and spiritual survival in the 21st century. This is the reason I support SB 1035. Hawaiians celebrated Makahiki as a time for renewal, a time of unity and peace; and a time when people set aside their conflicts and worked together toward abundance. We should join the rest of the greater Polynesian body and observe the start of Makahiki on November 20th. Connection with our Aina is vital if we want to move toward global peace and set the standards for the rest of the world to follow.

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TO: House Committee on Tourism and Culture
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Representative Joey Manahan, Vice Chair

FROM: Sarah Kaopuiki

RE: **SUPPORT** for **SB 1035** Relating to Makahiki Day Commemoration

I strongly support the passage of SB 1035 Relating to Makahiki Day Commemoration. As this bill does not require funding or mandate a State holiday, it is a unique opportunity for the Hawaii State Legislature to demonstrate its dedication to the culture of the people of Hawaii in a positive and non obtrusive way. This bill establishes the importance of the Makahiki without dictating the nature in which it should be celebrated. Therefore, we should support this bill and similar endeavors, which begin to effectively engage Hawaii's residents without trespassing on the beliefs of those for whom this is an important aspect of life and culture.

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TO: House Committee on Tourism and Culture
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FROM: Sharon Lum Ho

RE: **SUPPORT** for **SB 1035** Relating to Makahiki Day Commemoration

I strongly support this bill because Makahiki represents a significant time for all Polynesians. It is a time to perpetuate land conservation, unity, and peace. Other regional governments in the Pacific already observe the start of Makahiki on November 20th. Therefore, in keeping with living in peace and unity we should join our Polynesian ohana as a first step toward global co-operation in achieving ancient values that have kept us moving into the 21st century.