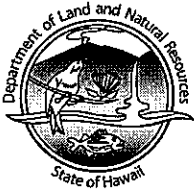


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Before the Senate Committee on
WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Monday, February 16, 2009
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State Capitol, Conference Room 229

**GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 384 - SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION TO THE
ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL, ISLANDS OF MAUI AND LANAI,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JONAH KE'EAUMOKU KAPU**

It is with pleasure that the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) recommends Senate confirmation of the appointment of Jonah Ke'eaumoku Kapu to the Maui/Lanai Islands Burial Council.

The Island Burial Councils were established under Section 6E-43.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to determine the preservation in place or relocation of previously identified native Hawaiian burial sites and to determine Hawaiian cultural and lineal descendancy claims for specific burials. State law requires that Island Burial Councils be established for Hawaii, Maui/Lanai, Molokai, Oahu and Kauai/Niihau islands, comprised of representatives from specific geographic regions and representatives of developer/large property owners.

Jonah Ke'eaumoku Kapu was nominated to serve as a Lahaina District representative on the Maui/Lanai Islands Burial Council. If confirmed, Jonah Ke'eaumoku Kapu will serve until June 30, 2013.

Jonah Ke'eaumoku Kapu is an active community leader and Hawaiian cultural practitioner. He brings traditional cultural diversity to the council. The Department notes that Jonah Ke'eaumoku Kapu currently serves as a valued member of the Maui/Lanai Islands Burial Council.

The Department greatly appreciates your consideration of Jonah Ke'eaumoku Kapu and strongly recommends his confirmation to the Maui/Lanai Island Burial Council.

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Please support the re-appointment of Jonah Ke`eaumoku Kapu to the Island Burial Council, Islands of Maui and Lanai, for a term to expire June 30, 2013.

Mahalo,
Paulette Ka'anohi Kaleikini

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