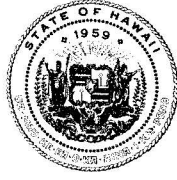


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TESTIMONY OF MICAH A. KANE, CHAIRMAN
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BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

ON HR61/HCR75
REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO ISSUE A STAMP
HONORING PRINCE JONAH KUHIO KALANIANAOLE

February 25, 2009

Chair Carroll, Vice-Chair Shimabukuro and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaiian Homes Commission and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands strongly support HR61/HCR75, requesting the U.S. Postal Service to issue a stamp in honor of Prince Kuhio.

Prince Kuhio was a visionary statesman who served the people of Hawaii for most of his life. In addition to his achievements in establishing the Hawaiian Civic Clubs and developing framework for the county system we use today, he is responsible for the passage of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920, without which our Hawaiian Homes Commission and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands would not exist. Each day, our staff works to continue Prince Kuhio's legacy that reaches more than 20,000 beneficiaries of our trust and thousands of others in Hawaii.

Prince Kuhio is deserving of this honor and we request your favorable consideration of this resolution. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.



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Legislative Testimony

**HCR 75 and HR 61 REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES POSTAL
SERVICE TO ISSUE A STAMP HONORING PRINCE JONAH KŪHIŌ
KALANIANA'OLE**

House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

February 25, 2009

10:45 a.m.

Room: 329

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs **SUPPORTS** HCR 75 and HR 61, which would request that the United States Postal Service issue a commemorative stamp in honor of Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole.

The life of Prince Kūhiō was one dedicated to public service and work toward the betterment of the people of Hawai'i. Throughout his life, Prince Kūhiō demonstrated all of the attributes of not only a Hawaiian Ali'i, but also those of a true leader of the people.

A commemorative stamp would not only recognize a lifetime of achievement, but would also serve as a way to educate the world on one of the many great leaders to rise from the humble shores of Hawai'i. It would perhaps also serve as an inspiration for future generations who aspire to lead and serve their communities.

Thus, OHA urges the Committee to PASS HCR 75 and HR 61. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

TESTIMONY OF SHIRLEY SWINNEY, PRESIDENT
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ON **HR 61/ HCR 75**
BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

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Chair Carroll, Vice-Chair Shimabukuro, and Members of the Committee:

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify in support of these resolutions urging the U.S. Postal Service to create a postage stamp in honor of Prince Kuhio.

Prince Kuhio was a visionary statesman who served the people of Hawaii for most of his life. In addition to his achievements in establishing the Hawaiian Civic Clubs and developing framework for the county system we use today, he is responsible for the passage of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920, without which our Hawaiian Homes Commission and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands would not exist. His work has made a difference in the lives of native Hawaiians and all Hawaii.

Prince Kuhio is deserving of this honor and we request your favorable consideration of this resolution.