



## IOLANI PALACE

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### TESTIMONY OF KIPPEN DE ALBA CHU

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COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS  
Rep. Mele Carroll, Chair  
Rep. Maile Shimabukuro, Vice Chair

Wednesday, April 15, 2009

### SCR 66 SD1

Chair Carroll, Vice Chair Shimabukuro, and members of the Committee, thank you for this opportunity to testify in strong support of SCR 66, SD1.

The Friends of Iolani Palace welcomes the recognition of our beloved Prince Kuhio in this concurrent resolution and fully supports the issuance of a commemorative stamp in his honor by the U.S. Postal Service. Prince Kuhio's accomplishments on behalf of Hawaii's kanaka are many and his legacies continue to serve Hawaiians today. As we recently celebrate the 138<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his "*la hanau*" on March 26<sup>th</sup>, The Friends strongly advocates for the perpetuation of the last designated heir to the throne of the House of Kalakaua, who lived in Iolani Palace as a youngster along with his two brothers, Prince Keliiahonui and Prince Kawanakoa.

Thank you again for allowing us to testify in strong support of this measure.

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April 15, 2009

Representative Mele Carroll, Chair  
Representative Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Vice Chair  
And Committee Members On Hawaiian Affairs  
House of Representatives, 2009 Legislature Session  
State of Hawaii

Subject: SCR 66, SD1 Requesting That The United States Postal Service  
Issue A Commemorative Stamp Honoring  
Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaniana'ole, OPPOSE

ALOHA Kakou,

My name is Richard Pomaikaio Kalani Kinney. On January 16, 1993 after reading Pubic Law 103-150 I renounced my citizenship to the United States. I come here today as a Hawaiian Nationalist of the Hawaiian Kingdom. I strongly support the restoration of the Hawaiian Kingdom government that invaded and occupied thru an Act of War on January 16, 1893 with the involvement of the diplomatic and military forces of the United States.


As Sovereign of the Hawaiian Political Action Council of Hawaii, I STRONGLY OPPOSE the intent and passage of SCR 66, SD1.

HPACH opposes the past and future Americanization of all aspects of the Hawaiian Culture. Prince Kuhio and his life belongs to the Hawaiian Kingdom. Prince Kuhio was a Kanaka Maoli Hawaii first and always.

Mahalo nui for allowing me to give testimony on this Resolution.

Attachment: Renouncement Documents

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Legislative Testimony

**SCR 66, SD 1, REQUESTING THAT THE UNITED STATES POSTAL  
SERVICE ISSUE A COMMEMORATIVE STAMP HONORING PRINCE JONAH  
KŪHIŌ KALANIANA'OLE**

House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

April 15, 2009

10:00 a.m.

Room: 329

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The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **SUPPORTS** SCR 66, SD 1, 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 SCR 66, SD 1. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.