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Naomi Clarke Losch
972 Kainui Drive
Kailua, HI 96734

Dear Ms. Losch,

Re: Nomination to the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board

Congratulations on being nominated by Governor Linda Lingle to serve on the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board. To assist the Senate with its confirmation process, I would like to request that you submit the following information to my office by Friday, February 26, 2010.

- (1) A current resume with a list of references; and
- (2) A written statement that addresses the following:
 - (a) Why you wish to continue serving as a member of the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board;
 - (b) Your perception of the role and responsibilities of a member of the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board;
 - (c) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities of a member of the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board, provide an explanation of your qualifications for the position. Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise, or knowledge that would specifically aid you in decision-making as a member of the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board.
 - (d) Describe your accomplishments during your term of service thus far, and what you hope to accomplish during this new term?
 - (e) Name three qualities that best describe you and you believe set you apart from other potential candidates. How would the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board benefit from having a member with those qualities?

- (f) Describe your previous experience that you believe would make you an asset to the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board.
- (g) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service on the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

Your prompt response in providing the requested information will ensure that the Senate confirmation process can proceed in a timely manner.

Mahalo for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Senator Carol Fukunaga, Chair
Senate Committee on Economic Development and Technology



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Senator Carol Fukunaga, Chair
Senate Committee on Economic Development and Technology
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Aloha Senator Fukunaga,

I am writing you in response to your letter regarding my nomination to the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board. I have addressed your questions in the order that they were asked.

a) I wish to continue on this board because with my background on Hawaiian language and culture I believe I can contribute to the decisions that must be made by this board.

b) I believe members of this board must give unbiased informed input and I feel that I can provide it.

c) I have been teaching Hawaiian language and culture and Polynesian culture for 40 years and was employed by the Bishop Museum for 8 years. My experience has afforded me the knowledge to make informed decisions required by the board.

d) When needed I've provided views regarding issues that have been brought before the Board and I hope to continue to be a Hawaiian cultural resource in the future.

e) I believe I am fair, unbiased and open-minded. I have no agenda and I listen to information presented and make decisions based on what has been presented and other information that I might have.

f) My previous experience has given me the ability to weigh the information that has been presented and to make informed decisions.

g) I do not see any possible conflicts of interest and should any arise, I would recuse myself from the discussion and the decision making process.

I am sending you a copy of my Curriculum Vitae with this letter. If you require further information, I may be reached at nlosch@hawaii.edu or by telephone at 956-3551.

Me ke aloha,

Naomi C. Losch

Think of a Garden and Other Plays, by John Kneubuhl, University of Hawai'i Press, Honolulu, 1996

Book Review of:

Ke Kumu Aupuni. by Samuel M. Kamakau reviewed in *The Hawaiian Journal of History*. Hawaiian Historical Society, Vol. 32. 1998. pp. 221-223.

Hawaiian English Consultant:

Microsoft Encarta College Dictionary, St. Martin's Press, New York, 2001

Encarta World English Dictionary, St. Martin's Press, New York, 1999

Essays, Poems

"Ka Wahine o La'i Aloha" an essay on Mary Kawena Pukui in *yo'iwi a native hawaiian journal 3*, Kuleana yo'iwi Press, Honolulu, Hawai'i, 2004

"Blood Quantum" in *Whetu Moana*, Contemporary Polynesian Poems in English, Ed. Wendt, Albert, Reina Whaitiri and Robert Sullivan, Auckland University Press, Auckland, New Zealand, 2003

Invited Conference Presentations:

"OLA KA LEO: People, Programs and Progress in Hawaiian Language Revitalization", delivered at University of the Ryukyus, Okinawa, November 28, 2009

"Language Revitalization", UHM Okinawan Studies Conference, Discussant, March 19, 2009

"Hawaiian Language and Technology", 1 of 3 Keynote speakers, Kia Mau Ki Te Aka Matua, Māori Language Symposium, AUT University, Auckland, New Zealand, November 2 - 4 2008

"yo Ka yo'lelo Hawai'i, 1963 - 2008", 1 of 3 Keynote speakers, Te Ataarangi Inaugural Indigenous Language Revitalization and Teaching Conference, Mangatū - Te Tai Rāwhiti, New Zealand, October 31 - November 2, 2008

"O wai kou inoa? Hawaiian Names and Naming Practices", Eighth Annual Celebration of the Arts, Kapalua, Maui, April, 2000

"Hawaiian Names and Naming Practices", State Convention of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Ka'anapali, Maui, November, 1999

Conference Presentations:

"Hawaiian Language at the University Level", World Indigenous Peoples' Conference on Education (WIPCE), Hilo, Hawai'i, August, 1999

"Integrating Culture in the Hawaiian Language Classroom", Fifth Symposium on Stabilizing Indigenous Languages, Louisville, Kentucky, May, 1998

Research Foci:

Hawaiian Cultural Practices regarding the Kauā
Research and Writing Recollections of life on a Sugar Plantation
Hawaiian Names and Naming Practices
Hawaiian Place Names

Service:

Center/ Department:

2007 - 2009 Academic Affairs Committee
2004 - present Ka Waihona a ke Aloha
2003 - 2007 Department Chair, Hawaiian and Indo-Pacific Languages & Literatures
1995 - 1996 Academic Affairs Committee, HIPLL

School/College:

2007 - 2009 Member, Hawaiiinuiakea SHK Curriculum Committee
2001 - 2002 Member, College of LLL Curriculum Committee
1995 - 1997 Member, College of LLL Curriculum Committee
1996 - 1997 Member, Planning Committee, College of LLL First Annual Graduate Student Conference

University:

2008 - 2009 Member, UH Presidential Search Committee
2007 - 2009 Member, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Search Committee
2007 - 2008 Member, Dean for Hawaiiinuiakea SHK Search Committee
2005 - 2008 Member, Hawaiian, Asian, Pacific Focus Board (Vice-Chair)
2001 - 2002 Member, Hawaiian, Asian, Pacific Focus Board
2000 - 2001 Member, Mace Committee

Community:

2002 - present Member, State of Hawai'i Historic Sites Review Board
1999 - present Member, State of Hawai'i Board on Geographic Names
2007 Hawaiian Language Judge, Kamehameha Schools Song Contest
2004 - 2005 Consultant, Ho'oholomua i ka 'Ōlelo Hawai'i, Hawai'i Maoli

2003 - 2004 Member/Consultant, Hānai Task Force,
Association of Hawai'i Civic Clubs
2003 - 2006 Assistant Editor, Ka Ho'ōiilina, the Legacy,
Journal of Hawaiian Language
Sources (HEN [Hawaiian Ethnographic Notes]
Section)
1999 - 2003 Senior Reviewer, Ka Ho'ōiilina, The Legacy, Journal
of Hawaiian Language Sources
1996 Hawaiian Language Judge, Kamehameha Schools Song
Contest

International:

2008 Member, Maori Studies Program Review Panel,
Victoria University,
Wellington, New Zealand

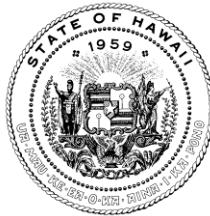
Professional Organizations

HALT (Hawaii Association of Language Teachers)

Organizations

Bishop Museum Association
Daughters of Hawai'i
Hawaiian Historical Society

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**STATE OF HAWAII
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**Testimony of
LAURA H. THIELEN
Chairperson**

**Before the Committee on
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY**

**Friday, March 05, 2010
1:15 p.m.
Conference Room 016**

**In consideration of
GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 282
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAII
HISTORIC PLACES REVIEW BOARD, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, NAOMI
CLARKE LOSCH, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2014**

The Department of Land and Natural Resources strongly supports the gubernatorial appointment of Ms. Naomi Clarke Losch to the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board for a term to expire 6-30-2014.

The Hawaii Historic Places Review Board was established under Section 6E-5.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to: (1) Order and enter historic properties into the Hawaii Register of Historic Places on the basis of their value to Hawaii's heritage; (2) Evaluate and, when appropriate, recommend the nomination of historic properties to the National Register of Historic places; (3) Review the State Survey of Historic Properties; (4) Review the content of the State Historic Preservation Plan; and (5) Maintain the Hawaii Register of Historic Places (including all those listed on the National Register of Historic Places).

State law requires that the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board include at least one professionally qualified member of each of the following disciplines: archaeology, architecture, history, and sociology. In addition, there shall be one person knowledgeable in traditional Hawaiian society and culture.

Ms. Losch has spent her life in the Islands. She attended the Kamehameha School for Girls, graduating in June of 1963. Subsequently, she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology and a Master of Arts in Pacific Island Studies from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. She was then

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employed by the Bishop Museum from 1963 to 1971, Leeward Community College from 1971 to 1994, and the University of Hawaii at Manoa from 1994 to the present. At the University of Hawaii Manoa, Ms. Losch has been a member of the Department of Hawaiian and Indo-Pacific Languages and Literatures, also serving as that Department Chair from 2003-2007.

As a Hawaiian Specialist, Ms. Losch has made valuable contributions to the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board with her knowledge of Native Hawaiian culture and history.