

# GM757

**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission,  
Gubernatorial Nominee, JAYE NAPUA MAKUA, for a term to expire 6-30-2013.**

April 11, 2011

Aloha mai kakou,

My name is Jaye Napua Makua and I am a gubernatorial nominee to the State Land Use Commission.

I wish to be a member of the Land Use Commission because I believe that my background in culture, history, and language will benefit this commission.

I understand the role and responsibilities of a member of the Land Use Commission to include the following: 1) to process boundary change amendments and special permit applications 2) process, review, and act upon petitions for district boundary amendments in lands over 15 acres in Agricultural, Rural and Urban Districts 3) process, review, and act upon all petitions seeking to amend the Conservation District 4) Review and act upon applications for special permits in the Agricultural and Rural districts which are over 15 acres 5) shall make recommendations to the governor and to the legislature through the governor 6) to perform these duties with the public health and welfare of all peoples of the State of Hawai'i in mind.

I believe I am qualified to be a member of the Land Use Commission as I have a strong background in traditional Hawaiian land usage. I have a familial relationship with this 'aina and as a cultural practitioner it has been my life's work to know intimately the place I come from.

During my term of service I hope to share the knowledge that has been entrusted to me, with others. I hope to listen to the kama'aina of every

wahi to understand the needs of the community. I hope to bring balance to a commission that has previously included businessmen, union leaders, attorneys, developers, and realtors. I also hope to learn from the others on the commission and work to find solutions.

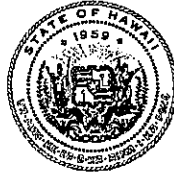
Three qualities that I possess are: integrity, perseverance, and diligence. These qualities would benefit the Land Use Commission as I take kuleana very seriously and have a strong kuleana to my 'ohana to always do the best job I possibly can in whatever I do. I feel I have gained the respect of my peers, business associates, and my community because I am an honest voice that speaks even when my opinion is not the popular one. I am fair and have sacrificed much in my life for the betterment of those around me. I believe in the "it takes a village to raise a child" mana'o, or belief, of my ancestors and have dedicated the past 15 years to lifting up the youth in our community through culture in hopes that they will be stronger leaders if they first know who they are and whom they come from.

One experience that I've had that would benefit the Land Use Commission would have to be my traditional 'uniki, or graduation, to become a Kumu Hula. In order to 'uniki I studied for 3 years with Maui Kumu Hula, Hokulani Holt Padilla. During these years I not only studied hula and oli (chant) but also studied Hawaiian religion, moon phases, and traditional land divisions. Where does one moku end and the next begin? What are the characteristics of these divisions? I developed a great interest in this area. As a result, I am enrolling in the "Land Tenure and Use in Hawaii" course at UH this Fall.

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April 14, 2011

Statement of  
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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism  
before the  
**SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING**

Thursday April 14, 2011

1:20 PM

State Capitol, Conference Room 225

in consideration of

**GM 757**

**CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION OF  
JAYE NAPUA MAKUA**

To the Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair, and the Honorable Malama Soloman, Vice Chair, and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing.

My name is Dan Davidson, and I am the Executive Officer of the Land Use Commission ("LUC"). I am here to respectfully request that this Committee favorably consider the nomination of Ms. Jaye Napua Makua to serve as Commissioner for a three-year term as an At Large Member member/Hawaiian Specialist ending on June 30, 2014.

Ms. Makua's resume illustrates her accomplishments as the owner of a Hawaiian music company, a composer, and a Kumu Hula for Halau Na Lei Kaumaka o Uka. She also served as a Cultural Specialist for Kamehameha Schools on Maui. It is clear that Ms. Makua will bring a new perspective to the Land Use Commission.

For these reasons, we respectfully ask for your favorable consideration of Ms. Makua's nomination to serve as Commissioner on the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify before this Committee.

Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing  
Hon. Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Hon. Malama Solomon, Vice Chair  
Thursday, April 14, 2011 | 1:20pm  
Conference Room 225

**PAE 'ĀINA COMMUNICATIONS**  
**GM 757 | Testimony in Support**



Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and members of the committee.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of JAYE NĀPUA MAKUA for Land Use Commission.

We believe that Nāpua's perspective as a cultural practitioner from Maui will provide great insight to the LUC's responsibility in its actions for and management of urban, rural, agricultural and conservation land use policies.

We believe a cultural practitioner's perspective on key land use law and its application of the laws' mandates and further accesses or requirements by judicial precedence would benefit the Commission and its understanding of providing a balanced view of policy decisions.

Nāpua's experience as a kumu hula, her knowledge of Hawai'i's delicate ecosystems and what traditional practices accompany these ecosystems will be of great benefit to the LUC's responsibility to effectuate policy across the state.

We ask for your strong consideration of JAYE NĀPUA MAKUA.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony in support.

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TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
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SUBJECT: HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM  
757, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LAND  
USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAYE NAPUA MAKUA, FOR A  
TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

I am writing to provide written testimony in support of Jaye Napua Makua as the gubernatorial nominee to the State Land Use Commission. I would like to express my humble but enthusiastic support of Napua for this position. Although Napua may not have the broad based experience concerning planning and real estate, Napua brings with her generations of cultural connection to her community and her 'āina. This generational connection drives Napua to fulfill her kuleana or responsibilities to her community, her land base, her culture, and her family. The notion of kuleana is strong for Native Hawaiians and the necessity of fulfilling this kuleana provides her a clear and focused vision as to how best to approach her duties.

Napua brings with her a youthful fervor, energy and vision that is guided by centuries of commitment through her kupuna towards caring for these resources and places that we all call Hawaii. Her familial ties to Maui have given her reason to pursue such an important appointment. Her unflinching and concrete cultural foundations will ultimately guide her through the demands of such a critical position in light of the past, current and ongoing battles that we all face of continuing development.

Napua has a proven herself as a practiced and successful Kumu Hula who has performed throughout Hawaii and the World representing her culture. She has also been a guiding light to many of the youth in her community in her academic and professional career. She is also a loving and her working mother, daughter, and wife and her commitment to all of these elements in her life provide her a breadth of life experience that will provide your commission a healthy and necessary perspective.

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to provide my mana'o or thoughts supporting Jaye Napua Makua. I hope that you will consider her to be a welcome and vital addition.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Sean Nāleimaile



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To: Senator Malama Solomon  
Senator Donovan Dela Cruz  
From: Mililani B. Trask  
Indigenous Consultants  
Re: Letter of support for Jaye Napua Makua  
Land Use Commission – Maui Island

April 13, 2011

Aloha Senators,

I am forwarding this letter of support for the nomination of Mrs. J. Napua Makua as a State Land Use Commissioner for the Island of Maui. Mrs. Makua is a well-known Hawaiian culturalist, educator and Kumu Hula. She has a long history of involvement in Maui community activities through her affiliations with her local church (St Johns), the Maui Island Democratic Party, Women Helping Women, Aha Punanaleo and her Halau. In addition, she has a broad background in community issues and needs relating to the education of Hawaiian and non-Hawaiian children on Maui as a faculty member and teacher at the Kamehameha Schools and Seabury.

Mrs. Makua's diverse background gives her a diverse perspective on the various needs of the larger community when it comes to land use issues. It is common knowledge that 'cultural issues' have become more significant and problematic in Hawaii on all islands as a consequence of the renewed interest in all things 'Hawaiian' (na mea Hawaii) and the evolving Hawaiian political agenda. In the past, there have been few Land Use Commissioners with the cultural sensitivity and foundation needed to understand and address Hawaiian cultural issues relating to land use on Maui and Statewide. Mrs. Makua's appointment as a State Land Use Commissioner will provide the Commission with expertise and personal experience in these important areas. In addition, her insight into the educational, political and gender issues in Maui County will be of benefit to the State Land Use Commission and its members when matters relating to these issues arise.

I hope you will designate Mrs. Makua as a State Land Use Commissioner, and have no reservations in supporting her nomination. She is a person of integrity and has the capacity to serve her community, Island and our State in a competent and equitable manner.

Sincerely,

Mililani B. Trask, Indigenous Consultants





**Hōkūlani Holt-Padilla**

State of Hawaii  
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793

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TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

FROM: Hōkūlani Holt-Padilla

SUBJECT: HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 757,  
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LAND USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAYE NAPUA  
MAKUA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of Jaye Napua Makua as the gubernatorial nominee to the Land Use Commission. I have known Nāpua for more than 25 years as her kumu hula and friend. I have watched her grow into an intelligent and creative young woman with high ideals and a never-ending aloha for Hawai'i and its people.

As a cultural practitioner Nāpua believes in learning as much as possible and has been an eager and accomplished student of hula and its related fields. She explores the cultural, scientific, and academic knowledge relating to a topic and soon becomes well-versed in it. I have seen and experienced her thirst for knowledge and I believe she will continue to do that in whatever pursuit she takes on.

I have also watched Nāpua give tirelessly to her community as she shared her knowledge and talent freely. She has given her time to community organizations throughout Maui and teaches her hālau to do the same. She is building a cadre of people who also will share and volunteer within the communities they call home.

I feel Jaye Nāpua Makua will be an excellent addition to the State Land Use Commission and will make an outstanding Commissioner. Please feel free to contact me by telephone at 808-243-4269 or by email at [hokulani@mauiarts.org](mailto:hokulani@mauiarts.org).

Sincerely Yours,

**Hōkūlani Holt-Padilla**

Hōkūlani Holt-Padilla  
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Kumu Hula, Pā'ū O Hi'iaka

April 8, 2011

To: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
The Honorable Malama Solomon, Vice Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

From: Karey Kapoi

Subject: Hearing of April 14, 2011; Testimony in Support of GM 757, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, Jaye Napua Makua, for a Term to Expire 6-30-2013

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the confirmation of Jaye Napua Makua for the Land Use Commission.

I have had the pleasure of Napua's friendship for nearly thirty years. Over the past three decades, I have watched Napua grow into a respected member of our Community. She is generous in sharing her knowledge and talents to assist numerous non-profit organizations, student groups and schools. Her commitment to her Culture and this State is refreshing, and I believe she serves as an excellent role model for her peers and younger generations.

Napua feels an enormous sense of responsibility to Hawai'i and its people. I believe she will bring an objective and conscientious perspective to the Land Use Commission serving as both a productive member and representative for Maui and the Hawaiian Culture.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in support of Jaye Napua Makua for the Land Use Commission. If there are any questions or concerns regarding my testimony, please feel free to contact me directly.

Aloha,  
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April 7, 2011

TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

FROM: Amanda Martin

SUBJECT: **HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 757,  
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE  
LAND USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAYE NAPUA  
MAKUA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Jaye Napua Makua as the gubernatorial nominee to the Land Use Commission.

Ms. Makua is a highly respected cultural practitioner, kumu hula, educator, entertainer and member of the community. Her knowledge and love of the aina and community has been an advantage to all.

I've known Ms. Makua for a few years and have come to respect her with the highest regards. She's highly competent and a dedicated person who always maintained a high level of professional and personal standards. She possesses excellent communication skills and a definite positive attitude.

I strongly believe that Ms. Makua will be a valuable and contributing member of the State Land Use Commission. Her enthusiasm and dedication would definitely be an asset to this Commission.

I support Ms. Makua's nomination without reservations.

DATE: April 11, 2011

TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

FROM: Jennifer O. Borge

SUBJECT: HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN  
SUPPORT OF GM 757,  
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE  
LAND USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE,  
JAYE NAPUA MAKUA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

Being a Realtor on the Island of Maui for the past 26 years, I understand the importance of having a diverse body of Land Use Commissioners and I value the opinions of those knowledgeable in Hawaiian affairs. I would highly recommend Jaye Napua Makua to be confirmed as one of our nine Land Use Commissioners.

I believe Napua would be the perfect candidate to be responsible for the preservation and protection of Hawaii's lands. Her vast knowledge will surely encourage those uses to which lands are best suited.

Napua has been extremely dedicated to serve Hawaii and the people who reside here. She has impacted many people living here on the Island of Maui with her knowledge and passion for the 'āina and culture.

She is known to be a fair person who will best represent a cross section of the community.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Jaye Napua Makua as the Gubernatorial nominee to the Land Use Commission.

I humbly ask for your support in her confirmation.

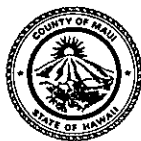
Mahalo,

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April 11, 2011

TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

FROM: Gladys C. Baisa  
Council Member

SUBJECT: **HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 757,  
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE  
LAND USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAYE NAPUA  
MAKUA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Jaye Napua Makua as the gubernatorial nominee to the Land Use Commission.

I've known Ms. Makua since childhood, and have watched her mature and grow from childhood through adulthood. She is a high highly respected cultural practitioner, kumu hula, educator, entertainer and member of the community.

In my observations, she has successfully taken on responsibilities in her family and society. In this regards Ms. Makua has exhibited some fine human traits – compassion and understanding – and has incorporated these traits into her everyday life.

Ms. Makua has shown initiative and leadership in everything she does. Her devotion and love for the aina and culture has not gone unnoticed.

I believe Ms. Makua will be a valuable and contributing member of the State Land Use Commission.

It gives me great pleasure to support her appointment without reservations.

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TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

FROM: Mary Jean S. Bega

SUBJECT: HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF  
GM 757, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO  
THE LAND USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE,  
JAYE NAPUA MAKUA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in support of Jaye Napua Makua as the  
Gubernatorial nominee to the Land Use Commission.

I have known Napua for the past 8 years through her halau of which my two  
children are very active members. Her knowledge of the Hawaiian culture  
encompasses more than hula. She strives to teach them the value of being  
“Hawaiian” by setting an example as a kumu hula, as well as teaching them the  
discipline to be better hula dancers and contributing members of society. My  
daughters have oftentimes gone to her for advice and support, and she always  
found the time to share her mana’o to help them through difficult times. Her  
expertise as a successful business person can also be an asset to the commission.

I humbly ask you to consider Jaye Napua Makua for this position.

Mahalo nui loa,

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Tuesday, April 12, 2011

TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

FROM: Emerson Kihei Nahale-a

SUBJECT: HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 757, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAYE NAPUA MAKUA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

Aloha mai kākou,

I am an Instructor at Hawai'i Community College's (HawCC) Hawai'i Lifestyles Program (HLS). I am also the director of the program's Mahi'ai track. I have known Nāpua for nearly 20 years. In that time I have witnessed the growth and emergence of one of the strongest, passionate and most committed people I have ever known.

In HawCC mahi'ai classes the actual cultivation of kalo and other staple foods are only a part of the curriculum. It is the track's foundational philosophy that in order to cultivate like kupuna and Hāloa practitioners, one must cultivate the spirit as well as a passion for what they do. This stems from understanding clearly who you are, how you connect to Hāloa, and ultimately how you connect to the land and environment. Nāpua is definitely someone who has this ability. Her strong sense of place, ability to inspire, and her commitment and leadership in her community are great examples of this.

It is important that the commission is diverse enough that all perspectives of land use can be looked at and considered. However, there is also the need that everyone on the commission be able to "feel" what the land "feels" when making decisions. The Land Use Commission is in need of people like Nāpua. Someone who not only will represent herself well but will also help those she would work with to make better, more holistic decisions about our land and how it should be used. I proudly recommend Napua Makua and we all as residents in Hawai'i can be confident that she would serve this commission with the commitment, passion and spirit that this position requires.

Me ka 'oia'i'o,  
Kihei Nahale-a

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April 11, 2011

To: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

From: Kelly Pearson

Subject: HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 757,  
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COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAYE NAPUA MAKUA, FOR A TERM TO  
EXPIRE 6-30-2013

Aloha,

This letter is in support of the consideration and confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, Jaye Napua Makua to the State of Hawaii, Land Use Commission. As the Director of Operations for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Maui (for the past fifteen years) and avid supporter of youth development and the Hawaiian Culture, I believe that Napua is the perfect choice for this position and will be a great addition and asset to the Commission.

When I first moved from Hilo, Hawaii about fourteen years ago, I was introduced to Napua and her sister Kahulu Maluo, co-kumu of Halau Na Lei Kaumaka O Uka. During my many projects with hula competitions, local Hawaiian events and as the Operations Director of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui, I have had the opportunity to see the growth of this halau and their commitment to the community and our youth. I have been a witness to the contributions that Napua has made to the community of Maui, and more importantly, to the entire State of Hawaii.

One of my first experiences with Napua was when the Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui was having a Kids Day at the Ka'ahumanu Shopping Center. This was the first time the organization was taking the event to a higher level; and with no budget, we were in need of entertainment and the ability to attract the community. Napua and her halau came out that day, donated their time to the event and it became a huge success. The message that day: "spending quality time with children" and that is exactly what Napua did.

The halau and all that Napua takes on as an entertainer and a Kumu, displays her passion for wanting the best for our people and the community we all live in. The years that she has already given to our people, young and old, is just an indication of her commitment, unlimited skills, talents and knowledge that she will be able to use as she serves on the Land Use Commission.

Napua's personality makes it easy for her to work with others well and this is very important in whatever she takes on. She is very easy to get along with and is able to speak her mind eloquently and passionately. Her desire to do the right things, in the right way and for the right reasons makes Napua a perfect model for others in our community. Napua's hard work and determination will be a major contribution to the Commission and its responsibilities and duties.

I am very delighted to support Jaye Napua Makua in her interest to serve on the State of Hawaii Land Use Commission. Mahalo for your time and please feel free to contact me at (808) 870-7727 if you have any questions.

Mahalo,

  
Kelly L. Pearson



TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

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SUBJECT: HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011;  
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COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAYE NAPUA MAKUA,  
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013.

Aloha Kākou,

My name is Cody Pueo Pata and I am the kumu hula of Hālau Hula Ka Malama Mahilani, based in Kahului, Maui. I submit this written testimony in support of the consideration and confirmation of Gubernatorial nominee, Jaye Nāpua Makua, to the Land Use Commission with a term expiring on June 30, 2013.

I have personally known Jaye Nāpua Makua for well over a decade as a peer kumu hula, a co-worker, a fellow recording artist, and as a close friend. I whole-heartedly attest to her discipline, fortitude, and knowledge of community and cultural matters. These are attributes which I have witnessed that have always led to Mrs. Makua's ability to respond to various issues in our community in levelheaded and compassionate manners.

As a result of Jaye Nāpua Makua's respectful character, she is afforded an attention to detail that sees her through intensive research and thoughtful consideration when reviewing issues which require clarification and/or resolution. I believe such character would be invaluable should Mrs. Makua be recruited in the review of land use and boundary petitions.

As an accomplished Hawaiian cultural practitioner, Jaye Nāpua Makua has years of experience in addressing issues of the preservation and maintenance of Hawai'i's precious indigenous environments and historically cherished natural and cultural resources. Being from the rural Maui community of Kula, Mrs. Makua is also thoroughly familiar with various issues that directly affect the natural resources upon which residents depend for both subsistence and economic wellbeing.

Should Jaye Nāpua Makua be confirmed to sit upon the Land Use Commission, I am certain that her efforts and abilities would result in movements to constantly support the efficient expenditures of state funds and resources. With the best of Hawai'i's interests in her heart and mind, I believe Mrs. Makua will do her utmost to ensure that equal opportunities are extended to all citizens in the areas of employment, economic development, and housing for all who reside in Hawai'i nei.

I strongly support GM 757 and urge the consideration and confirmation of Gubernatorial nominee, Jaye Nāpua Makua, to the Land Use Commission. I am grateful for this opportunity to testify. Me ka ha'aha'a, Cody Pueo Pata

TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

FROM: Lehua Itokazu

SUBJECT: HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF  
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CONFIRMATION TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION,  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAYE NAPUA MAKUA, FOR  
A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in support of Jaye Napua Makua as the Gubernatorial nominee to the Land Use Commission. I have had the privilege of knowing Mrs. Makua for the last 18 years. Napua is dedicated and genuine to her culture and continues to research and share her knowledge with others. Napua has always exemplified the traits of commitment, reliability and honest in all aspects of her life; as a mother, wife, kumu and friend. The comprehension and endearment she has for her community and ancestors land will show through in her participation with the Land Use Commission. Napua is a valuable asset and will be a great addition to the Land Use Commission.

Respectfully,

Lehua Itokazu

**TO:** The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

**FROM:** Mrs. Janet Makua

**SUBJECT:** HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 757, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAYE NAPUA MAKUA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

I am submitting this testimony in support of the appointment of Jaye Napua Makua as the Gubernatorial nominee to the Land Use Commission. Mrs. Makua is an acclaimed kumu hula of Halau Na Lei Kaumaka O Uka, She is also a teacher of Hawaiian Studies at Seabury Hall on Maui.

Napua has a love for the `aina and would be an asset to the commission. She is eager to serve her State in such an important role. She is reliable and is a very hard worker. She is enthusiastic about everything she does and is very knowledgeable.

I urge you to appoint Jaye Napua Makua to the Land Use Commission.

Mahalo for your time.

TO: The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

FROM: Chad Takatsugi

SUBJECT: HEARING OF APRIL 14, 2011;  
TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 757, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION  
AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL  
NOMINEE, JAYE NĀPUA MAKUA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in support of Jaye Nāpua Makua as the gubernatorial nominee to the Land Use Commission.

Nāpua's greatest contribution to serving on the commission could be her unique perspective as a practitioner of traditional Hawaiian beliefs and values. She is a contemporary Hawaiian woman deeply rooted in the traditions of her kumu and her kūpuna. She is respected in the Hawaiian community for her cultural knowledge as well as her desire to grow that knowledge with deference to native Hawaiian values of aloha 'āina (love for the land) and kuleana (responsibility). In a time where transparency reigns supreme and native Hawaiians are taking a more active role in the determination of land use, Nāpua would be a great addition to the Commission adding credibility and perspective.

I have had the pleasure of working with Nāpua as a colleague and can easily sum up her ethic as a professional and her carriage as a person in one word: integrity. Nāpua's family background, her development as a young adult, her professional status as a teacher in a formal educational setting and as a kumu hula have all contributed to a young woman who operates in pono, as defined by what benefits all. The role of the Commission is to ensure that areas of state concern are addressed and considered in the land use decision-making process. It can be considered a failure when those decisions are made in a vacuum of political interests or lack of understanding of consequences. While Nāpua admittedly is not versed in land planning and real estate, I find comfort in knowing that her intentions are both genuine and unaffected and have nothing but the best interests of Hawai'i in mind.

Integrity would be reason enough to confirm Nāpua as a member on the Land Use Commission. Credibility can be the foundation on which opposing perspectives will find common benefit. Nāpua's effective combination of both traits would make her an effective and respected member of the Land Use Commission. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.



April 13, 2011

Re: Jaye Napua Makua Appointment to  
State Land Use Commission

Aloha mai Chairman Dela Cruz and Committee Members,

I am pleased to send this letter of support for the appointment of Ms. Jaye Napua Makua as a State Commissioner for the State Land Use Commission. Napua is uniquely qualified to be a Commissioner as she is steeped in the Hawaiian culture. She understands the significance of the inherent ties between Hawaiian cultural practice and land stewardship. She would bring to the Land Use Commission a wide breadth of experience from an indigenous traditional cultural perspective to a contemporary. She has been trained over her lifetime by some of the renowned Hawaiian cultural masters that have well prepared her for the understanding of land use in a sustainable and pono way. Napua understands the distinct balance between land use for development, future growth and sustainability of a unique indigenous and island lifestyle. She will bring to the Land Use Commission her cultural training and handling of cultural protection and mitigation measures that are paramount issues to the land use planning which include sacred places, sacred objects, and sacred practices. She is keiki o ka 'aina from Maui nui a Kama. Napua's formal hula training and studies were under the mentorship by some of the noted Hawaiian authorities. She trained under Hilo's renowned Kumu Hula Johnny Lum Ho for six years. She also mentored under icon Kumu Hula Pualani Kanaka'ole Kanahale for three years.

She went through her kumu hula training and attained her "uniki rights" (graduation) as a full fledge Kumu Hula under the direction of Maui's premiere Kumu Hula Hokulani Holt Padilla of Maui for six years. Napua is the President of Halau Na Lei Kaumaka o Uka, who is in its fifteenth year of perpetuating hula and Hawaiian culture as an award winning Merrie Monarch Halau that has given the island of Maui hula distinction. While her strength is as a cultural practitioner and Kumu Hula, Napua is also an accomplished composer and award winning Na Hoku Hanohano recording artist.

A cultural specialist teacher, she has taught at the Kamehameha Schools for six years and has been their cultural advisor for Founder's Day and 'Ike Hawaii for twelve years. She is presently a cultural specialist teacher at Seabury Hall where she is able to teach Hawaiian culture and hula to an expanded and diverse group of Maui students the uniqueness of Maui and Hawaiian culture. Napua is very active in the Maui community volunteering her time in Women Helping Women, Boys and Girls Club of Maui, St. John's Episcopal Church and Maui Youth and Family Services.

Hawaiian culture emanates in Napua's veins as a direct descendant of the High Chief Keawemauhili, the younger brother of King Kalaniopu'u and the uncle of Kamehameha I. She is the namesake of her grandaunt, the noted Hawaiian cultural authority Aunty Napua Stevens.

I ask the Committee to appoint Napua as a State Land Use Commissioner so that she can be a powerful contributor to the mission of the Department in creating policy that affects Hawaii's future.

O au I ho no, me ka ha'aha'a,  
Robbie Cabral

April 12, 2011

Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

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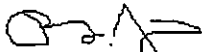
RE: GM757, Support of Gubernatorial Nominee Jaye Napua Makua,  
to the Land Use Commission.

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Committee Members,  
I am seeking your support towards the nomination of Jaye Napua Makua to the State Land Use  
Commission.

Mrs. Makua brings tremendous diversity to this commission because of her cultural and  
heritage knowledge. I've known Mrs. Makua for a number of years, yet have gotten to know  
Mrs. Makua even closer because of her practice through being a Kumu Hula for Halau Na Lei  
Kaumaka O Uka of which my daughter is a student of for (4) four years.  
Her integrity, merit, principles and values are amongst just a few qualities which make her a  
superb choice. But most important, her discernment of making it "Pono". Please consider your  
support to this vital commission.

Mahalo for allowing me to submit written testimony in support of Mrs. Makua to the State  
Land Use Commission.

I am



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