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CHIEF CLERK CAROL TANIGUCHI Mr. William Chapman



Dear Mr. Chapman:

Re: Nomination to the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board GM 794

Congratulations on being nominated by Governor Neil Abercrombie to the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board. To assist the Senate with its confirmation process, I would like to request that the following information be submitted to my office by **Thursday, April 5, 2012**:

- (1) A resume with a list of references
- (2) A written statement that addresses the following questions:
  - (a) Why do you wish to be a member of Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board?
  - (b) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a member of the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board, particularly as it relates to fulfilling the requirement of an Oahu based historian?
  - (c) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities of a member of the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise, or knowledge that would aid in your decision-making ability as a member of the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board.
  - (d) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?
  - (e) Name three qualities that best describe you and that would make you stand out. How would these qualities benefit the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board?
  - (f) Name one previous experience that would make you stand out. How would this benefit the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board?

(g) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service on the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

Your prompt response in providing the above information will ensure that the Senate confirmation process can proceed in a timely manner. The committee is scheduling your confirmation hearing on Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 1:15pm in Conference Room 016. Please contact Doris Lam or EDT Committee Clerk Ashley Advincula at 586-6890 if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

Senator Carol Fukunaga, Chair

Senate Economic Development Committee

#### William R. Chapman

Nomination to the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board GM 794

# Questions for Confirmation

#### 1) Resume (attached)

#### References:

Mary Cooke, Kiersten Faulkner, Wendy Wichman, Cheryl Soon [submitted by mail]

# 2) Written Statement

### a) Why do I wish to be a member?

I have been a committed member of the historic preservation community in Hawai'i for twenty years. This follows upon both professional and advocacy work in the field for twenty years prior to coming to Hawai'i. My main interest is that of civic duty. I feel I am knowledgeable about historic preservation and want to be able to use this to help the program in Hawai'i. As a teacher of historic preservation, I also feel it is important for me to remain up-to-date on new developments in the field in general and trends in Hawai'i.

# b) What do I see as my responsibilities?

I believe my responsibilities are to assess the historic value and integrity of historic sites in the State of Hawai'i and to insure consistency in the nomination process. I will be available to the Historic Preservation Divisions staff for consultations, attend workshops and meetings regularly and help in other ways that the state and SHPD see as necessary to fair and efficient functioning of the government office.

# c) What are my qualifications and skills?

I have been serving on the board for the past three years. I believe I make a positive contribution due to my existing knowledge of procedures and general knowledge of the history of Hawai'i. As my resume shows, I have been the author of numerous articles, reports and other studies of historic buildings and sites in Hawai'i and feel

these add considerably to by ability to contribute in a positive way to the board's work. I believe I can help insure consistency in the decision-making process and help in determining appropriate contexts for the evaluation of historic sites.

# d) What do I hope to accomplish?

I hope to bring a strong sense of perspective to the board's work and to improve the consistency of decision-making process. I hope too contribute to the development of clear guidelines for applicants and a more proactive system of identifying historic and archeological sites within the state.

# e) What qualities stand out for me?

I believe I am (1) fair and (2) honest and (3) bring a high level of knowledge and experience to the position. I work well with both staff and the public and believe I am both professional and diplomatic. I am also detail oriented and hardworking.

# f) Name a previous experience that would make me stand out?

I have served as Historian for the Historic Preservation Office of the Territory of the Virgin Islands and also as a Historic/Architectural Historian for the National Park Service. Among my duties as NPS Historian was the review of State Historic Preservation Programs in the Mid-Atlantic Region for the NPS over two years. I believe this gives me insights into the needs and operations of historic preservation offices of a thirteen-state area. In addition, I served for two years on the Historic Preservation Review Board for the State of Georgia.

#### g) Do I perceive any conflicts of interest?

I believe I am fair and impartial and have no special interests to support or promote.

# **GM 794**

# Mr. William Chapman

Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board

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# Testimony of WILLIAM J. AILA, JR. Chairperson

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

Wednesday, April 11, 2012 1:15 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 016

# In consideration of **GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 794** SUBMITTING FOR THE CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAII HISTORIC PLACES REVIEW BOARD, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, WILLIAM CHAPMAN, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2016

The Department of Land and Natural Resources strongly supports the reappointment of William R. Chapman, PhD., to the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

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.

Dr. Chapman is the Director of the Graduate Division of the University of Hawaii's Historic Preservation Program. He was previously with the School of Environmental Design at the University of Georgia. He was educated at Columbia (M.S. in Historic Preservation, 1978) and at Oxford University in England (D.Phil.in Anthropology, 1982). He specializes in architectural recording, the recognition of historic districts, and materials conservation. In terms of community service, Dr. Chapman conducts the University of Hawaii annual Summer Field School which records both the architecture and histories of Hawaii's communities. He is also a frequent speaker/presenter at local historic programs.

Dr. Chapman's reappointment would allow his continued contributions of professional legal insight and understanding to the Historic Places Review Board's activities.



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March 20, 2012

Senator Carol Fukunaga, Chair Economic Development and Technology (EDT) Committee Hawaii State Capitol, Room 216 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: Dr. William Chapman's Nomination to Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board

Dear Senator Fukunaga,

As you know, I have been active in the preservation community for many years and was the founding president of Malama O Manoa, our communitybased non-profit created in 1992 to promote the preservation of Manoa Valley. You were very helpful, graciously offering your assistance when we needed it.

Dr. William Chapman and I have known each other for twenty years. We served together as directors for Historic Hawaii Foundation. He provided preservation-related advice to our non-profit Manoa Heritage Center, which Sam and I founded to promote the thoughtful stewardship of Kuka'o'o Heiau and our historic Tudor home listed on the National Register of Historic Places. As Professor and Director of the Graduate Program in Historic Preservation at the University of Hawai'i, Dr. Chapman also conducted his annual summer Preservation Field School at the Center in 1996.

Dr. Chapman has worked in the field of historic preservation for over thirty years, is the author of numerous scholarly articles on preservation-related topics, and is widely recognized as a leading authority in recording historic architecture and in policies and procedures for historic preservation at both the local and national levels. I strongly support Dr. Chapman's nomination to a second term on the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board based on his knowledge of historic preservation, his demonstrated experience and leadership, and his willingness to Carol- many thanks in advance for considering my request. serve our community.

Sincerely.

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To: Sen. Carol Fukunaga, Chair

Sen. Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair

Committee on Economic Development and Technology

From: Kiersten Faulkner

Executive Director, Historic Hawai'i Foundation

Committee Date: Wednesday, April 11, 2012

1:15 p.m.

Conference Room 016

Subject: Support for Confirmation of William R. Chapman

to the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board (GM 794)

On behalf of Historic Hawai'i Foundation (HHF), I am writing in <u>support of confirmation of William R. Chapman</u> as a member of the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board.

Since 1974, Historic Hawai'i Foundation has been a statewide leader for historic preservation. HHF's 850 members and numerous additional supporters work to preserve Hawaii's unique architectural and cultural heritage and believe that historic preservation is an important element in the present and future quality of life, economic viability and environmental sustainability of the state.

Dr. Chapman is proposed for re-appointment to the Historic Places Review Board following completion of a term. As Director of the Graduate Program in Historic Preservation and Professor in the Department of American Studies at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Dr. Chapman's professional career has been dedicated to the study, teaching and practice of historic preservation. Historic Hawai'i Foundation was pleased to recognize his outstanding contributions to the field be bestowing the prestigious Frank Haines Award to Dr. Chapman in 2011.

The Historic Places Review Board is responsible for maintaining and adding historic properties to the Hawai'i State Register of Historic Places, nominating historic properties to the National Register of Historic Places, and also reviewing the state's inventory of historic properties and the content of the statewide preservation plan.

The composition of the Review Board is required to include professionally qualified members in the fields of archaeology, architecture, history and sociology, as well as knowledge of traditional Hawaiian society and culture. The state board is also required to meet the qualifications in federal law (see HRS §6E-5.5) and to conduct its meetings and hearings in compliance with open government and fundamental fairness procedures.

Dr. Chapman's professional qualifications, experiences and personal characteristics will enhance and support the Review Board and the State Historic Preservation Division.

Therefore, Historic Hawai'i Foundation recommends approval of the appointment of William R. Chapman as a member of the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board.

#### **Historic Hawai'i Foundation**

# Senate Committee on Economic Development and Technology GM 794

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM CHAPMAN

April 11, 2012

My name is Don Hibbard, and I am submitting this testimony as an individual **in support** of the confirmation of William Chapman for a second term on the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board.

I have known Professor Chapman since his coming to Hawaii in the early 1990s to assume the position of Director of the Graduate Program in Historic Preservation within the Department of American Studies at the University of Hawaii. We have developed a strong working relationship and have collaborated on several projects over the years. I highly respect his knowledge of and dedication to the field of historic preservation, as well as his solid insights.

He is well versed in the duties and obligations of the Historic Places Review Board and is knowledgeable in the application of the state and national criteria used by the Review Board in making their decisions.

Professor Chapman is widely recognized as a leading authority in the field of historic preservation not only in Hawaii and the nation, but also in Southeast Asia, where he has devoted countless years working on the conservation of Angkor Wat in Cambodia. He has served as a consultant to the U.S. National Park Service, UNESCO, the Getty Foundation, and the World Monuments Fund. In addition, he has participated in countless historic preservation endeavors in Hawaii, the most recent being a co-author of a report on modern architecture in Hawaii for the Historic Hawaii Foundation.

I am grateful that Dr. Chapman is willing to continue to serve on the Historic Places Review Board, on which he has been a positive contributor, and strongly urge this committee to recommend to the full Senate the confirmation of his appointment to the Board.