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March 31, 2012

Senator Carol Fukunaga, Chair Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair And Members Committee on Economic Development and Technology Hawai`i State Senate Honolulu, Hawai`i 96813

### Re: Testimony in Support of Daryl Fujiwara - King Kamehameha Celebration Commission

Aloha Chair Fukunaga, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members:

On behalf of the O`ahu Council, Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, I wish to offer our support for the nomination of Darryl Fujiwara to serve as a member of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

Mr. Fujiwara is a talented and gifted artist and active member of the Hawaiian Civic Clubs on Maui. In our view, he would make an excellent addition to the membership of this commission, with his keen eye for the effective presentation of the celebration of Ke Ali`i Kamehameha.

We are certain that he will be an asset in his work with fellow commissioners in the years ahead.

Mahalo for this opportunity to offer our mana'o.

Me kealoha pumehana,

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MAHEALANI CYPHER Pelekikena

About the O`ahu Council, Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs

The O`ahu Council is one of five councils that comprise the AHCC. It advocates actions that enhance the civic, economic, educational, health and social welfare of our communities and elevates the social and intellectual status of all Hawaiians. Twenty-five clubs located throughout the island of O`ahu comprise the Council.

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Economic Development and Technology Committee Monday, April 2, 2012 - 1:15 p.m. Room 016 of the State Capitol Copy of hearing notice: <u>http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session2012/hearingnotices/HEARING\_EDT\_04-02-</u> 12\_.HTM

Aloha Senator Fukunaga and members of the Committee,

I support the nomination of Mr. Darryl Fujiwara as Commissioner to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission representing the island of Maui.

As former Chair, Commissioner and Arts Program Specialist of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, I know Mr. Fujiwara will be more than capable of implementing and executing the duties and responsibilities assigned to him by HRS 8-5.

He has already served as Parade Chair for the festivities on Maui, will be a valuable member of the Commission and will serve to honor the memory and legacy of Hawai'i's greatest king and statesman.

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### TESTIMONY OF GEORGE THRONAS, JR., CHAIRPERSON KING KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION COMMISSION TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY ON April 2, 2012 G.M. 806 RELATING TO CONFIRMATION TO THE KING KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, DARYL FUJIWARA

Chair Fukunaga and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify G.M. 806

As Chairperson of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission I strongly support the confirmation of Mr. Daryl Fujiwara to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission. HRS Section 8-5 requires that the Commission have a member from the Island of Mau`i.

Mr. Fujiwara is from the Island of Mau'i. His appointment fulfills the statutory requirement for representation. Mr. Fujiwara is also a current contributing member of the Island of Mau'i King Kamehameha Celebration events.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

### Dreana Kalili 2357 Amoomoo Street Pearl City, HI 96782

April 2, 2012

Testimony in support of

Governor's Message 806 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, DARYL FUJIWARA, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

#### Senate Committee on Economic Development and Technology

Aloha Chair Fukunaga, Vice-Chair Wakai, and members of the committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in strong support of this nomination of Daryl Fujiwara to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

I have known and worked with Mr. Fujiwara since 2008, and I personally know him to be a proactive community member who is especially committed to supporting Native Hawaiian customs, practices, and traditions, through volunteer work, advocacy, and being a practitioner himself. His educational, professional, and community experiences absolutely qualify him to serve in this capacity on the commission. As a small business owner, a graphic artist, and an effective community organizer, Mr. Fujiwara will be invaluable to this board.

Mr. Fujiwara and I have worked together on initiatives with the Lahaina Hawaiian Civic Club and the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs. In working with him, I've observed that he is driven to make meaningful and positive contributions to Maui, our state, and the Native Hawaiian community. As a member of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, Mr. Fujiwara will ensure that Maui Nui is well served.

I respectfully urge your committee to advise and consent to this nomination. Mahalo, again, for the opportunity to testify in strong support of my colleague and friend.