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Ms. Beverly Lee

Re: Nomination to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission GM 807

Dear Ms. Lee:

Congratulations on being nominated by Governor Neil Abercrombie to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission. To assist the Senate with its confirmation process, I request that the following information be submitted to my office by **Wednesday, March 28, 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 commissioner of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission?
 - (b) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a commissioner of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, particularly in terms of your nomination by Kapahulu Music Club?
 - (c) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities of a commissioner of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, 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 commissioner of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.
 - (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 King Kamehameha Celebration Commission?

- (f) Name one previous experience that would make you stand out. How would this benefit the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission?
- (g) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service on the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission? 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 Monday, April 2, 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

TESTIMONY
OF
BEVERLY LEE
TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY
ON
APRIL 2, 2012
G.M. 807

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission representing the Kapahulu Music Club, Gubernatorial Nominee, Beverly Lee, for a term to expire on June 30, 2015.

Chair Fukunaga and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today.

I want to thank Governor Neil Abercrombie for nominating me. I truly consider this an honor and a privilege to be considered as a commissioner for the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission for the Department of Accounting and General Services.

I want to also extend a warm mahalo to everyone that submitted letters of support on my behalf and to everyone here in attendance lending me their support and aloha.

I was employed with Hawaiian Telcom for 33 years as a Business Sales Support representative. In this position, I was responsible for managing accounts and projects to include training for major corporate accounts in the State of Hawai'i. In this position, I was required to organize, plan and coordinate all activities to accomplish a successful installation and a very satisfied customer.

I have been involved with the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission since 1994, first as a Pa'u island Princess, volunteer assistant to the Pa'u chairperson, Healani Omes and since 2010 have served as the Pa'u chairperson. Under my leadership, I have been able to encourage participation in the Pa'u section of the parade and for the past two (4) years, I have been able to have the representation of all (8) eight islands in the Pa'u section which had not been present for a few years.

Currently, I have been able to provide the island Pa'u units with several workshops that will enhance their knowledge of our Hawaiian culture. For example, a workshop on the different types of flowers and lei's that one can use for neck and horse lei's with Uncle Bill Char, Pa'u draping with Uncle Kimo Alama Keaulana and horsemanship and Princess presentation with Aunty Healani Omes. All of these individuals have volunteered their time to teach our next generation of Pa'u riders.

My vision for this commission is to be able to provide the "Aloha Spirit" to the people of Hawaii and visitors to our islands with the sharing of our Hawaiian culture, especially about our great king & warrior – King Kamehameha. We are able to do this through the sharing of our knowledge, encouraging the participation of our young people, but most of all, by building trust between commissioners.

In closing, I would like to thank this Committee for the hard work you do for the State of Hawaii and for giving me the opportunity to be here today. Thank you for considering my nomination. Again, thank you to everyone who submitted testimony on my behalf and to those who are here supporting me today.

At this time, I would be happy to answer any questions the Committee may have.

GM 807

Ms. Beverly Lee

King Kamehameha Celebration Commission

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April 2, 2012

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 807

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE KING
KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION COMMISSION, BEVERLY LEE

Chair Fukunaga and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on G.M. 807. The Department of Accounting and General Services supports Ms. Beverly Lee's confirmation to the Commission.

Section 8-5, HRS, requires that the Commission have at least one member from the Kapahulu Music Club. Ms. Lee is a member of the Kapahulu Music Club. Her appointment fulfills the statutory requirement for representation on the Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.



GM 807

**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the King Kamehameha Celebration
Commission, Beverly Lee**
Committee on Economic Development and Technology

April 2, 2012

1:15 p.m.

Room 016

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) supports the nomination of Beverly Lee to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

Over the years, Ms. Lee has been actively involved in the King Kamehameha Celebration as a pā'ū rider and, in 2003, as pā'ū queen. She knows the inner workings of the commission and has spent countless hours coordinating and assisting with pā'ū units of the King Kamehameha Day parade.

Ms. Lee is also active in the Hawaiian community as a member of Hālau 'o Po'omaikelani, Hale o Nā Ali'i o Hawai'i (House of Chiefs) as well as various hālau hula. She is well connected to the Hawaiian community.

Therefore, we urge the Committee to PASS GM807. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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April 1, 2012

The Economic Development and Technology Committee

Aloha Kakou,

It is my pleasure to submit testimony on behalf of Bev Lee who has been Nominated to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

I first met Bev while taking hula instruction in 1984. Bev has always embraced the Hawaiian Culture and made its preservation a priority. She has continued with hula, is involved with A ha hui Kai'ulani and most recently given her time and talents to the direction of pa'u riding in the Kamehameha Day Parade.

Bev is a professional, dedicated woman with the ability to organize, oversee and interact with those whom she works with. Her smile and "aloha" are quite infectious!

I feel confident that having Bev as a committee member would be of benefit to all.

Aloha pumehana,

Ana Char

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Nomination Questions & Hearing
State Capitol, Rm. 016

April 2, 2012
1:15 p.m.

Please find attached testimony that will be presented for the nomination for Ms. Beverly Lee, representing the Kapahulu Music Club. I will be present for the hearing. If further questions, please do not to contact me, at 808 349-9487.

M. Lee
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March 30, 2012

*Senator Carol Fukunaga, District 11
415 South Beretania Street, Room 216
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813*

Aloha mai and good afternoon,

I am Candace Kananimauloa Lee, president of the Kapahulu Music Club and am present today to submit our supporting testimony for Ms. Beverly Lee to serve as our representative as a commissioner on the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission .

As a past commissioner and chairman myself, I had the pleasure of meeting Ms. Lee in 2003 when she honored the celebration as a most gracious and eloquent Pa'u Queen. Ms. Lee has continued her commitment by serving as a volunteer and has done an outstanding job in encouraging other riders to participant in the event. She has taken the responsibility to chair the Properties Committee(pa'u and costumes for the celebration), in keeping an accurate inventory, having them cleaned and sorted for the next years' event, with a core of volunteers that continue to work before, during and after the event.

Furthermore, Ms. Lee has taken the initiative to set-up workshops on pa'u draping, leimaking, horsemanship at the various stables. And because of her involvement, we are proud to say the eight(8) Hawaiian island pa'u unit has been fully represented, which had not been present for the past 10 years.

Ms. Lee brings with her excellent skills to organize, plan, coordinate as well as being responsible to work with the board, staff personnel and various agencies of the State, City & County of Honolulu, HPD, Sheriff's Office, Military units regarding all the policies and procedures that involve this

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Statewide event. In addition, has already solicited donations to obtain funding for new costumes for the Ali'I court and pa'u section.

We look forward to supporting her and are honored to keep this legacy ongoing for generations. Mahalo for your time and allowing us to testify.

Me ka ha'a ha'a



*Candace Kananima'uloa Lee
President*