

# Ke Aupuni O Hawaii

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*The Sovereignty of the Land is perpetuated in Righteousness*  
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## JOINT HEARING OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS AND THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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### AMMENDED KE AUPUNI TESTIMONY FOR SB 3007 – RELATING TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

We wish to amend our recommendation for the text for this bill to read as follows:

**Indigenous Peoples' Day.** The second Monday in October shall be known as Indigenous Peoples' Day to:

- (1) Recognize the amazing accomplishments of the indigenous voyagers that found and settled the myriad islands of the Pacific Ocean more than a thousand years before Columbus was born;
- (2) Recognize the countless indigenous peoples who perished as a result of the indigenous-European confrontation;
- (3) Recognize those indigenous peoples who have survived the past five hundred years; and
- (4) Educate the general public about the ongoing plight of indigenous peoples, provided that this day is not and shall not be construed to be a state holiday.

Mahalo nui,



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