

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 02 2013

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 589

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Tourism and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 589, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL, ISLANDS OF KAUA'I AND NI'IHOU

G.M. No. 589 MAUNA KEA HIGUERA TRASK,
for a term to expire 6-30-2017,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and testimony submitted by the nominee and finds Mr. Trask to possess the requisite commitment, sincerity, dedication, and qualifications to be nominated to the Island Burial Council for the Islands of Kaua'i and Ni'ihau.

Your Committee received testimony in support of Mauna Kea Higuera Trask from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and three individuals.

Mr. Trask graduated from Oregon State University with a degree in Anthropology. He subsequently earned his law degree at the University of Hawaii William S. Richardson School of Law. Since graduating from law school, he has worked in a variety of legal areas including criminal defense, labor, tort defense, and appellate advocacy. He has served as a public defender for the City and County of Honolulu and as a prosecuting attorney for the County of Kauai. He currently works as a Deputy County Attorney in Kauai where he advises the County on Native Hawaiian related issues.

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Mr. Trask is known by his colleagues as talented, hard-working, ethical, and fair. He is well versed in historical Native Hawaiian texts and traditions and possesses a vast knowledge base on ancestral Native Hawaiian remains.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Tourism and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Tourism and
Hawaiian Affairs,

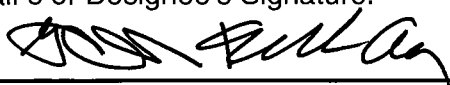


BRICKWOOD GALUTERIA, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Tourism and Hawaiian Affairs
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Advise and Consent

Governor's Message No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
GM 589	THA	3/4/13		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GALUTERIA, Brickwood (C)	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	✓			
HEE, Clayton	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				✓
SOLOMON, Malama	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	6	0	0	2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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