

Aloha kākou,

First, a wholly heartfelt ho`omaika`i to Auntie Rocky on her nomination (and presumably confirmation) to the `Aha Ki`ole! She is a wonderful selection for O`ahu, and I am entirely confident she will do a wonderful job.

I apologize for being unable to make it tonight to the `Aha Moku meeting. We are hosting a community meeting here at our house, there is a young group of Hawaiians working on a nonprofit for Kaka`ako. This was planned sometime ago and being that we have a number of Hawaiian community leaders attending (to work with and mentor the young Hawaiians putting together this project), it was just too difficult to try to reschedule.

But I did want to weigh in on the Kona (O`ahu) Moku situation. I believe Charles Kapua did his best to try to hold meetings within this moku after he was nominated, but we never got the momentum in this area that other areas were able to achieve. This was discussed at one of the puwala, which I attended, as did Leimomi Khan (we were the only Kona, O`ahu people in attendance, despite the fact that the meeting was held in our moku). Leimana then held a meeting with Rep. Hanohano's office at the capitol to try to help pull together the O`ahu moku and a number of people came from the Kona Moku attended, including myself and numerous `ohana from the Waikiki Hawaiian Civic Club. (I believe it was the Kamai family, but I'm copying in Malia who is President of that Civic Club as she may know more about who came.)

Then when the bill passed last year, O`ahu Council actively engaged in a process of identifying various candidates and representatives for the different moku and ki`ole. I said that I was interested in supporting Auntie Rocky and helping to coordinate the Kona Moku. We then did so, but meeting didn't fully come together because Auntie Rocky get sick that day. At that meeting at `Iolani Palace, Kaliko attended on behalf of Rep Hanohano's office and Kitty and Charles Ka`ai`ai also attended, and most importantly, Kitty agreed that she would work with those of us who were there to coordinate the Kona (O`ahu) moku. We never had an opportunity to reschedule that meeting and that coordination never occurred.

Nonetheless, I would like to see that good faith effort move forward. I feel the best way to do that is to return to the O`ahu Council of the Hawaiian Civic Clubs to identify an appropriate and qualified representative for our Kona (O`ahu) Moku through a transparent selection process.

O`ahu Council has two extremely dedicated and qualified Kona representatives, Francine Gora and Anita Naone. I think that they should lead this selection effort, assuming they are willing. (If they are not willing, they should be asked to designate people to lead this effort on their behalf(s).)

The bottom line is that the Kona moku is still in need of a representative, who is both qualified and was selected by the Kona moku community. I believe the selection process should be open and transparent, which we can discuss at the next O`ahu Council quarterly meeting. As Hina (who is the Chair of the O`ahu Island Burial Council and was an attendee at the meeting at `Iolani Palace) and I explained, there are many, many families and practitioners who are very interested in the `Aha Moku who have not been given the opportunity to engage. The selection and confirmation of the ki`ole today is a wonderful opportunity to (re)engage the broader community of families and practitioners. I am still happy and eager to support this process, but I

strongly feel that in order to make it pa`a, we simply need to return to the guidance and leadership of the civic clubs and O`ahu Council so that everything is done with the utmost transparency. It was the work and leadership of the civic clubs that made this whole effort a reality, we need to respect that history and return to the clubs in an effort to move forward.

I'm hoping Aunty Ulu, Aunty Rocky, Daniel, Francine and Aunty Anita can perhaps talk in the near future about a way to move forward. I am willing to support this however I can, but I feel an agreement on how to move forward needs to come from the O`ahu `Aha Moku leadership and O`ahu Council leadership.

Mahalo nui for your consideration of these recommendations and congratulations to all of you who have worked so hard to make this wonderful achievement a reality.

Me ka ha`aha`a,
kehau

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Aloha,

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I am in strong support of all the candidates listed below in the provided Governor's Messages.

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I believe the Administration has made wise and thoughtful decisions in the selection of these highly qualified candidates who I am confident will successfully execute their various appointed positions.

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Mahalo

Dr. Trisha Kehaulani Watson

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DATE: Wednesday February 6, 2013
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415 South Beretania Street

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Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Chairperson of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, gubernatorial Nominee, JOBIE MASAGATANI.

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A G E N D A

<u>GM 659</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, FRANCES KALUHIWA, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.	THA/WTL
<u>GM 660</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, PIILANI KAAWALOA, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.	THA/WTL
<u>GM 661</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, KEITH ROBINSON, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.	THA/WTL
<u>GM 662</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, KYLE NAKANELUA, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.	THA/WTL
<u>GM 663</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, WINIFRED BASQUES, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.	THA/WTL
<u>GM 664</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, LESLIE KULOLOIO, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.	THA/WTL
<u>GM 665</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, KAREN POEPOE, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.	THA/WTL
<u>GM 666</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, THOMAS HASHIMOTO, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.	THA/WTL

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Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice-Chair and

Committee on Water and Land

Senator Malama Solomon, Chair

Senator Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Vice-Chair and

Members of these Committees

RE: GM 659 Appointment of Frances Kaluhiwa

Aloha All!!!

I am D. Ululani Beirne-Keawe and I support GM 659, Governor Abercrombie's appointment of Frances "Rocky" Kaluhiwa as the O'ahu Representative to the AHA MOKU Advisory Committee. She has also been the Acting Po'o/Chair for the AHA MOKU COUNCIL-O'AHU (KAKUHIHEWA).

I have known "Rocky" for many years and her heartfelt belief as a "traditional practitioner". Along with her husband Jerry Kaluhiwa, they share their "generational knowledge" of their Ahupua'a O Ko'olaupoko, both are a great contribution to our native Hawaiians and the Ko'olaupoku moku. She is an active member of the Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club and also a member of the Kahalu'u Neighborhood Board where she continues to make a difference in her community.

Mrs. Frances "Rocky" Kaluhiwa is 'ohana oriented, has deep roots in her community, has supportive records for sister communities and the State of Hawai'i. "Rocky" can share her genealogy and family lineage and community ties similar to a Baibala/Bible. Every detail of her 'ohana has its place. She has accomplished many goal setting objectives with the leaders of Civic Clubs and attended all Puwalu that started in 2006, gathering all traditional practitioners, having many sessions in understanding the importance of "generational knowledge" and of course recognizing our native Hawaiians and their "customary practices" as well.

The AHA MOKU COUNCIL-O'AHU submitted three names for consideration and all were qualified as traditional practitioners. We all recognize the importance of the work ahead of her on an Advisory capacity to Department of Land and Natural Resources Chair, William Aila. We would like this Committee to know that we intend to support her with Representatives from each moku's on issues.

Again, this testimony is in support of GM 659.

Mahalo D. Ululani Beirne-Keawe, Chair

AHA MOKU COUNCIL-O'AHU (KAKUHIHEWA)