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HR16

Submitted on: 2/12/2013

Testimony for OMH on Feb 13, 2013 10:50AM in Conference Room 325

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jalna Keala	Assn. of Hawaiian Civic Clubs	Support	Yes

Comments: Soulee Stroud will testify

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Troy Abraham	Individual	Support	No

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Routh Bolomet	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am in support of this bill because despite State Constitutional Mandate article xlii Section 7, and land tenure laws instituted and grandfathered by King Kamehameha III and the Kingdom of Hawaii Constitution; the government agencies for the State of Hawaii continually refuses to follow the laws and the constitutional mandates and the case precedences that uphold the rights of the Kanaka Maoli, which rather than being treated respectfully as the host culture are treated as 4th class citizens in and on their own lands. There needs to be a clear distinction that the US are the guest and the Kanaka are the hosts and the constant harrassment and degradation needs to stop. When police are called, they don't even know the laws they are suppose to be enforcing accept the laws that harrass the kanaka. It is time that a law like this one be put into place so that police and all those on these island and are not of the island ancestry will understand that our rights are not equal to theirs, our rights are superior to their rights in these islands and protected by US State, Federal, International Law and Kingdom of Hawaii Constitutional Law. I would also place a clause in the bill to demand that all police officers as part of their training are mandated to learn all the laws that protect the rights of the kanaka maoli so confusion of kanaka rights can be eliminated before unnecessary legal actions escalate. In Support! Please pass this bill so racial discrimination against the Kanaka Maoli will have another legal platform to remind the law enforcers and judiciary branch who carries out the laws the rights and protections of the Kanaka Maoli.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Elaine D.	Individual	Support	No

Comments: SUPPORT. It is with great irony that legislation has to be introduced to Recognize the Host Culture of Hawaiian Nationals after we, the occupiers, have ripped through their resources, stolen their land and water, jailed them, kept them economically restricted, encroached on their lands, denied them their rights to Hawaiian Homelands and so much more. We sure recognized their land and resources. Isn't it about time we recognize them? No matter what religion you believe in, I can guarantee you what has been done was never condoned by God.

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George Ka'uhane	Individual	Support	No

Comments: It is unlawful to "Discriminate" against anyone let alone Hawaiian Nationals... in Hawai'i.

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Kealii Makekau	Individual	Support	No

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tia pearson	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Marirai Tauotaha	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This resolution speaks the undeniable truth. We have ignored this truth and been afraid of this truth for far too long. At some point, we all must face the truth in all aspects of our lives. Now is the time to accept the truth of the history of Hawaii so that our future here in these islands may be prosperous and pono. If not in your generation, then in the generation of your descendants. "Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." - John 8:32

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Pamela Williams	Individual	Support	No

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Unity, Equality, Aloha for All

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TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION

The best aspect of this resolution is that it acknowledges the multiracial character of the Hawaiian Kingdom, which included not only ethnic Hawaiians but also Caucasians, ethnic Chinese, and ethnic Japanese as subjects of the Kingdom with full voting and property rights. People of those races became subjects of the Kingdom either through naturalization or also by being born in Hawaii (including thousands of Asian babies born on the plantations in Hawaii before the Kingdom ended in 1893).

Another good aspect of this resolution is that it effectively refutes both the U.S. apology resolution PL103-150 and also Hawaii Act 195 Session Laws of 2011, to the extent that both of those items are addressed exclusively to ethnic Hawaiians. I eagerly await anyone who votes for this resolution to also repudiate those other two items.

Unfortunately this resolution is deeply flawed because of its failure to acknowledge that the monarchical government was put to an end by the Hawaiian revolution of 1893.

The successor government of the Republic of Hawaii was internationally recognized de jure during the last half of 1894 by formal letters of recognition personally signed by emperors, kings, queens, and presidents of 20 nations on 4 continents writing in 11 languages, all of whom had previously had diplomatic relations with the Kingdom of Hawaii. Photos of

those letters were taken in the Hawaii state archives and can be seen at <http://tinyurl.com/4wtwdz>

Some so-called experts on "international law" will say that the sovereignty of a nation does not change merely because the heads of government of other nations recognize a change. And indeed, Hawaii continued as an independent nation for five and a half years after the revolution of 1893. But what government is recognized as having the authority to speak on behalf of all the people of a nation is decided through the process of diplomatic recognition between the heads of those nations.

There was no change in sovereignty of the nation of Hawaii caused by the revolution of 1893; but there was a change in the government of that nation, and all the other nations who had previously recognized the monarchy now recognized the Republic as the lawful government. Subjects of the Kingdom of Hawaii now became citizens of the Republic of Hawaii without any need to ask for their permission. That's what happens after revolutions throughout the world. Nobody asked the people of Russia whether they wanted to become citizens under the new Bolshevik government after the Tsar was overthrown in 1917. Of course there were people in Hawaii who objected to the revolution and remained loyal to Liliuokalani, just as there were royalists in Russia after 1917. But they lost, and their permission was not needed for them to become governed by their new leaders. Barack Obama became President of the United States -- he is President with authority over me even though I did not vote for him and regardless of whether I approve of him. My permission is not required.

An attempted counterrevolution led by Robert Wilcox in early January 1895 failed to restore the monarchy.

On January 24, 1895 ex-queen Liliuokalani signed a five-page letter of abdication and a one-page oath of loyalty to the Republic of Hawaii. Six witnesses including her personal attorney and her cabinet ministers signed a statement certifying that she had freely and voluntarily signed in their presence. Notary W.L. Stanley also notarized the documents. Knowing that at least 19 nations had already recognized the Republic of Hawaii, and that the attempted counter-revolution by Robert Wilcox had been crushed earlier in the month, Liliuokalani decisively ended any hope for the monarchy and pledged her loyalty to the Republic. Thus Liliuokalani herself formally recognized the Republic -- her abdication and loyalty oath belong among the

letters whereby heads of government around the world (including Liliuokalani for those who believed her position as head of state for the Kingdom of Hawaii was still viable) gave de jure recognition to the Republic as the rightful government of Hawaii. The originals of Liliuokalani's letter of abdication and her oath of loyalty to the Republic, personally signed by herself, are in the Archives of the State of Hawaii. Photographs of them can be seen on the internet at <http://tinyurl.com/4u8es4>

But even if Lili'uokalani had not signed a formal abdication and loyalty oath, it would not matter. Very few revolutions throughout the history of the world, including in modern times, have ever been followed by a formal abdication. In many cases the monarch, dictator, or head of state who was overthrown was killed during or soon after the revolution without the nicety of signing an abdication. Whether the deposed head of state dies without signing an abdication, or continues living for many years, his/her government was ended by the revolution and he/she does not remain head of state. To say otherwise is absurd. During the 19th, 20th, and 21st Centuries, how many monarchs, dictators, or presidents in Europe, South America or Africa were overthrown? How many of them signed letters of abdication? How many of the overthrown dictators continued to be recognized as head of state until they died, by their treaty partners or under international law? Is Saddam Hussein still the lawful head of Iraq? Is Muammar Gaddafi still the lawful head of Libya? The Republic of Hawaii was merciful to ex-queen Lili'uokalani.

In 1897 the lawful, internationally recognized government of the Republic of Hawaii offered a Treaty of Annexation to the U.S., which the U.S. accepted by joint resolution of its Congress in 1898. There was no longer an independent nation. All citizens of the Republic of Hawaii became citizens of the United States through that treaty whether they wanted to be or not. That's how it is when nations merge or borders change.

The government of Hawaii had full authority under international law to offer the Treaty of Annexation on behalf of all the people of Hawaii. Some Hawaiians today complain about the method used by the U.S. to accept Hawaii's offer of a Treaty of Annexation. But it's up to any nation, including the U.S., to decide for itself what method it will use to finalize a treaty. There are no international laws forcing any nation to have a Senate, or to ratify a treaty by a 2/3 vote of it. Certainly people in Hawaii (then a foreign nation) who disagreed with the U.S. method had no right to tell the U.S. what

method it must use; and today's history-twister Hawaiian activists have no standing at all on that issue.

During the 20th Century the borders of Poland had major changes on several occasions. Either through war or through treaties, people in parts of Poland suddenly found themselves to be citizens of Germany or Russia, and vice versa. The individuals had nothing to say about it. Likewise people living in the Saar district along the Rhine River were switched from being citizens of Germany to being citizens of France, or vice versa.

Contrary to what this resolution says, all persons born in Hawaii since 1898, regardless of race, are citizens of the United States, not nationals of a long-dead nation of Hawaii. With Annexation all Hawaii nationals became U.S. nationals. There are no more Hawaii nationals today, despite the wishes of the diehard deadenders professing loyalty to the Hawaiian kingdom.