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**TESTIMONY OF
THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS
TO
THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND
ON
APRIL 18, 2013**

SCR 173, SD 1

Chair Evans and members of the Committee, I am Eva Laird Smith, executive director of the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. I am pleased to support Senate Concurrent Resolution 173, SD 1, provided its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive Budget.

The State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (SFCA) is committed to integrating the built environment with the landscape and natural beauty of Hawai'i. Liliuokalani Gardens is a historic and aesthetic landmark for Hilo and we are pleased that the newly-formed nonprofit, Friends of Liliuokalani Gardens, is working with the County of Hawaii on a master plan for its preservation and maintenance and a centennial celebration in 2017.

All they are hoping to get from the SFCA: basic remedial training sessions for their volunteers/staff to enable them to conserve works of art in the outdoors.

Art in Public Places expertise could be provided for at least two training sessions for this purpose, to ensure grounds and art (outdoors) are in good condition for the Centennial Celebration.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.



To: Rep. Cindy Evans, Chair
Rep. Nicole E. Lowen, Vice Chair
Committee on Water & Land

From: Kiersten Faulkner
Executive Director, Historic Hawai'i Foundation

Committee Date: Thursday, April 18, 2013
2:00 p.m.
Conference Room 224

Subject: **SCR173 SD1 Requesting the Department of Land and Natural Resources and the State Foundation on Cultural and Arts to Assist the Friends of Lili'uokalani Gardens in its Preparations to Commemorate the Centennial of the Death of Queen Lili'uokalani and the Establishment of the Garden She Fostered**

On behalf of Historic Hawai'i Foundation (HHF), I am writing in support of SCR 173 SD1, which encourages cooperation between state and county agencies and a nonprofit organization to develop a master plan and commemoration for the centennial of Lili'uokalani Gardens and its namesake.

Since 1974, Historic Hawai'i Foundation has been a statewide leader for historic preservation. HHF's 850 members and numerous additional supporters work to preserve Hawaii's unique architectural and cultural heritage and believe that historic preservation is an important element in the present and future quality of life, economic viability and environmental sustainability of the state.

The historic, cultural and natural resources of Hawai'i are a great legacy and irreplaceable treasures. HHF strongly supports measures that lead to investments in Hawaii's historic places and that help keep their stories alive for present and future generations.

The Lili'uokalani Gardens in Hilo are a significant historic and cultural landscape, notable for the landscape architecture and design on a Japanese style tea garden. They are also important for their association with the Queen and the role the open space fills in the Hilo community. HHF supports the effort to help preserve, restore, enhance and celebrate these resources; to increase their accessibility; to provide financial resources for their stewardship and preservation; and to improve public education about Hawaii's history and cultures.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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Historic Hawai'i Foundation was established in 1974 to encourage the preservation of historic buildings, sites and communities on all the islands of Hawai'i. As the statewide leader for historic preservation, HHF works to preserve Hawaii's unique architectural and cultural heritage and believes that historic preservation is an important element in the present and future quality of life, environmental sustainability, and economic viability of the state.

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Submitted on: 4/17/2013

Testimony for WAL on Apr 18, 2013 14:00PM in Conference Room 224

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Katharine T. Cannon-Eger	Friends of Lili`uokalani Gardens	Comments Only	Yes

Comments: Thank you for scheduling a hearing on SCR 173 SD1 regarding the centennial of Queen Lili`uokalani's passing and the dedication of a garden in her name in Hilo. We received word of the committee hearing tomorrow (April 18) in Honolulu and will be on hand should committee members have any questions or desire further information. The language of the resolution, as amended in the Senate, is very good and we have no amendments to suggest. The resolution has the support of the state departments named – Department of Land and Natural Resources and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts – in addition to Historic Hawai`i Foundation and Philippe Nault, a tea ceremony practitioner at Shoroan in Lili`uokalani Gardens, among other individuals. We look forward to being of assistance to the committee in its deliberations.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Hardy Spoehr	Papa Ola Lokahi	Support	No

Comments: Papa Ola Lokahi supports this measure

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Glenn Shiroma	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: As a life long resident of Hilo, I strongly support SCR173. (Emphasis Added)

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**Testimony of
WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on
WATER & LAND**

**Thursday, April 18, 2013
2:00 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**In consideration of
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 173, SENATE DRAFT 1
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND
THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS TO ASSIST THE
FRIENDS OF LILIUOKALANI GARDENS IN ITS PREPARATIONS TO
COMMEMORATE THE CENTENNIAL OF THE DEATH OF QUEEN
LILIUOKALANI AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GARDEN SHE
FOSTERED**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 173, Senate Draft 1 requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) and the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts to assist the Friends of Liliuokalani Gardens in its preparations to commemorate the centennial of the death of Queen Liliuokalani and the establishment of the Garden she fostered. **The Department supports this resolution as its State Historic Preservation Division is able to help by providing guidance in maintaining the original landscaping, assistance in developing a nomination for the national register and overall guidance in ensuring that the park maintains its historic character.**

WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
CHAIRPERSON
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