

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 14 2013

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 669

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 669, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

LEGACY LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION

G.M. No. 669 LORI BUCHANAN,
for a term to expire 6-30-2016,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Lori Buchanan to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Lori Buchanan from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species, Kauai Invasive Species Committee, The Nature Conservancy, East Maui Watershed Partnership, and six individuals.

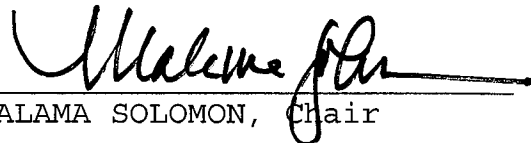
Lori Buchanan currently is a member of the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. She also works as the Molokai/Maui Invasive Species Committee's Field and Outreach Coordinator and is Chairperson of the Molokai Planning Commission. Her interests are in federal, state, and county land use planning, as well as the flora and fauna of Hawaii.



Ms. Buchanan's contribution to the protection of Hawaii's natural resources is evident on multiple islands. According to testimony, her tireless work through the Molokai/Maui Invasive Species Council and the Big Island Invasive Species Council has been instrumental in combating invasive species in Hawaii. Your Committee finds that Ms. Buchanan's experience, dedication to conservation and land protection, and excellent reputation and leadership skills qualify her for reappointment to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land 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 Water and Land,


MALAMA SOLOMON, Chair



