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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
jordan ozaki	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Aloha Chair Takai, Vice Chair Ito and members of the House Veterans, Military & International Affairs and Culture & the Arts Committee. My name is Jordan Ozaki and I would like to submit written testimony in support of HB 2573. The ukulele is already a symbol of Hawaii and it should be officially honored and cherished for generations to come. Several other states already have designated state instruments and given Hawaii's unique culture, we should have one too. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on HB 2573. Aloha, Jordan Ozaki

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dorothy meisner	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My name is Dorothy Meisner & I would like to submit written testimony in support of HB 2573. The ukulele is an important part of Hawaii's history and warrants this distinguished place in our future. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on HB 2573. Mahalo Nui, Dorothy Meisner

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Aloha! I am honored to write this testimony on behalf of Bill HB2573, which will be heard during session on February 12, 2014 at 10:15am.

I am the music director at Kapaa Middle School on the island of Kauai. I have taught on Kauai for 18 years. I teach an award-winning choir and ukulele band. For the past 14 years, my students are given the opportunity to perform at the Heritage Music Festival. For the last 6 years, we have traveled to the mainland and shared our music and culture at the festival. On March 14th, we will be representing our island and state, once again, in Anaheim, California as Ambassador's of Aloha to bring home more accolades!

One year, the audience was very curious what an "Ukulele Band" was. My students and parents heard them talking. We showed them! We received a standing ovation for our performance!

I am in full support of this bill to make this incredible instrument the "State Instrument". I feel that it is important to share our culture with others from around the world who travel to Hawaii and to showcase such a versatile instrument. We have so many talented and gifted musicians right here in the islands and I feel that by making this Hawaii's instrument, that it will make our state even more distinguished and unique!

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to share my interest!
All the best to keep music alive in our education system!

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Dain P. Kane	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please consider this Bill favorably - it accurately reflects the importance of this treasured instrument! Mahalo, Dain P. Kane

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Chris Kamaka	Individual	Support	No

Comments: The ukulele being introduced to Hawaii by the Portugese has truly become a noticed instrument. The Ukulele Hall of Fame, located On the East Coast has been wanting to move the organization home to where actually the birthplace and home of the ukulele is. I am in support of this bill and am so happy for the support and recognition of our Hawaiian instrument. Aloha, Chris Kamaka.

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