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AND TECHNOLOGY

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair
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March 1, 2016

Testimony in SUPPORT of Gubernatorial Nominees:

Barbara Kaaumoana – GM 526

Environmental Council

Chair Wakai, Vice-Chair Slom and members of the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Environment, and Technology:

I support the confirmation of Barbara Kaaumona to serve as a council member of the Environmental Council.

Barbara Kaaumona is qualified to serve based on her extensive history of environmental protection and devotion to her community. She has managed multiple grants and contracts and is a member of numerous advisory organizations. She has also submitted testimony for numerous bills and has provided revised language.

Ms. Kaaumoana's service to the environment is vast and benefits the community, the parks, the coastal zones, stewardship and conservation efforts throughout northern Kauai. Her dedication to improving her community extends beyond her volunteer activities as she was a registered nurse and a special education teacher for more than 17 years, devoting her time and energy to improving the lives of the new generation.

I believe Ms. Kaaumoana will do an excellent job as a council member of the Environmental Council. Her leadership and spirit will be invaluable in addressing the issues to strengthen the environmental efforts of the State of Hawaii.

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