

GM 745

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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
WATER, LAND, AND AGRICULTURE**

**Monday, April 18, 2016
2:50 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**In consideration of
GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 745
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE KAHANA VALLEY
LIVING PARK PLANNING COUNCIL, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, KAHIAU WALLACE,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2020**

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) expresses its strong support for Governor's Message 745 on the confirmation of Kahiau Wallace as a gubernatorial appointed member to the Kahana Valley Living Park Planning Council (Planning Council) for a term to expire on June 30, 2020.

The Planning Council, created by way of Act 15, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, consists of five voting members; a member of the general public, a representative of the Department, and three members representing the residents of Kahana ahupua'a.

Kahiau Wallace currently resides in Kahana Valley. She graduated from Ke Kula Kaiapuni o Anuenue and is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in Hawaiian Studies, with a focus on Malama Aina at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. She is currently Kumu Alaka'i at Aha Punana Leo (Punana Leo o Ko'olau Loa) executing 'aina-based cultural curriculum as it applies to Ko'olauloa. She is also the President of Ho'ala 'Aina Kuponu which has been able to coordinate efforts to propagate Native Hawaiian plants through the Aloha Kahana Project. She has done many activities related to education and the 'aina such as limahana with Hui Ku Maoli Ola in propagating Native Hawaiian plants; and with Paepae o He'eia as kumu to students in data collection and creating a moon calendar specific to He'eia fishpond.

Kahiau Wallace will assist with the Planning Council in future planning efforts establishing a successful model of how to manage Kahana Valley Living Park. The Department urges your support of Kahiau Wallace for confirmation to the Kahana Valley Living Park Planning Council.