

**SR 124 / SCR 163**

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**Subject:** Testimony for Senate Bill SR124 Honoring Robert William Kalanihiapo Wilcox

**Date:** Fri, Mar 25, 2016 9:37 am

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Submitted by: Gordon Lunalilo Wilcox

On behalf of my family, I Gordon Lunalilo Wilcox being the perennial Grandson and the adoptive son of Robert William Kalanihiapo Wilcox and his Royal wife the Princess Theresa Owana Kaohelalani Wilcox. At the age of 86, I am the sole senior male survivor of the Wilcox Ohana. I would like to extend our Mahalo Nui to the honorable Senators Galuteria, English, Shimabuko, Dela Cruz, Kidani, Kim and a special thanks to recording artist Palani Vaughn for the introduction of SR 124. While we are truly thankful, I personally feel that this should have occurred long ago and is well overdue. My Grandfather's numerous contributions to Native Hawaiian Rights is similar to that of Martin Luther King and the Civil Rights Movement. We are of course pleased and humbly lend our full support toward its passage.

While it is a well known fact that my Grandfather was tried along with Queen Liliuokalani for trying to restore the Kingdom. It is a little known fact that both my Grand parents were directly related to the Queen and that their love of Queen and Country would cause him to lay down his life, if needed for her cause. In the end he was so loved by his people that they elected him 1st Delegate to represent them in the U.S. Congress.

It is our belief that to truly celebrate this Native Hawaiian Hero and Statesman's life, that a day be set aside as a State Holiday, in his honor. February 15th on the day of his birth would be fitting.

Mahalo nui loa

Prince Gordon Lunalilo Wilcox

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**Subject:** Our Relationship to Queen Liliuokalani

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Princess Theresa's grandmother Kauahaka was a half sister to the Queen. therefore making Theresa the Queens Neice.

Robert Wilcox's mother, Maui Royalty Kalua and the Queen share ancestry with the High Chiefesss Niau Nui of Maui.

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Sara- please make this part of the record. Thanks!

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**Subject:** Robert William Kalanihiapo Wilcox ("Wilikoki")

Aloha e Alaka'i...

'O Palani Vaughan keia...

I would like to share 2 things of significance:

1) that, thru my late-father, my 'ohana are descendants of Kahakuloa, where I still own properties.... &, I am so pleased to inform you...

that, I receive KPOA Radio Broadcasts, here, in Waimanalo, where I, now, reside....

& I enjoy hearing the Hawaiian Music & Programming...

as well as, the "Maui Happenings".... that your Station shares...

2) that, I would like to request, that, your Station seriously consider sharing over the air-waves....

the following important facts of Hawaiian & Maui Island history...

that, I have been sharing with the Hawai'i State Legislature....

through 4 "Initiatives"...

which request... that... LONG-OVERDUE Honor... (116 years)...

be PROPERLY AFFORDED.... a very famous Maui-Born Warrior Chief....

whose Birthday falls, next week, on, Monday, Feb. 15th....

but, whose importance to our Hawaiian People....

& whose significant life-time achievement... has been... forgotten... or, ocer-looked...

or, in my opinion.. purposely... IGNORED!

I composed & recorded.... a song for this Great Hawaiian... in 1976...

that.... I am sure.... with which, you are familiar, entitled...

"Ka Mamakakaua"...

which I felt it was important for me to compose....

after I had learned, through my hard-earned research...

that... in a loyal & courageous manner.... this courageous Mauian....

had defended the Honor of his King.... Kalakaua...

by leading.... on June 30th, 1889... an Armed Rebellion...

with less than, 100 Hawaiian Warriors... onto the Grounds of 'Iōlani Palace...

against the enemies of King Kalakaua...

who, were a 500-man mercenary-militia, called the "Honolulu Rifles"....


led by Missionary-Descendant, Lorrin Thurston....

who.... at the points of their bayoneted- Springfield Rifles...

had compelled King Kalakaua to sign...

what our Hawaiian Kupuna of that time.... called,  
"The Bayonet Constitution Of 1887".  
This same Maui Warrior-Chief... 6 years, later.... & 2 years after.... the January  
17th, 1893, "Illegal Overthrow of Queen Lili'uokalani" ....  
would organize & lead... a brief...  
but failed... "Counter Revolution" of 1895.  
Born on Feb. 15th, 1855, this popular Hawaiian hero...  
was a descendant of ancient Maui Island Ruler... Kauluhea... on his mother's  
side...  
Despite his failed armed loyalist rebellions...  
this highly intelligent 1/2 blooded Hawaiian Chief...  
was a two-time elected Representative.... to the Kingdom of Hawai'i's  
Legislature.... as a Member of the "House Of Representatives"...  
However, his greatest UNPRECEDENTED Political-Achievement...  
actually, followed the "Illegal Annexation of Hawai'i"...  
when, he was elected...  
The "Territory Of Hawai'i's...  
"1st Delegate-To- Congress"...  
serving from 1900-1903.  
His name was...  
Robert William Kalanihiapo Wilcox ("Wilikoki" to his adoring Hawaiian People  
of that time)...  
Unfortunately, his FINAL Life-Time Achievement....  
has been OVER-SHADOWED.... by the Achievements of beloved.... Prince  
Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole...  
who was Hawai'i's 2nd "Delegate-To-Congress"...  
but.... who had succeeded in having.... the "Hawaiian Homes Commission Act" ....  
passed by Congress....  
The "4 Honorific Initiatives"... that, I alluded to, above....  
I have taken to the Legislature....  
& am hopeful... will agree to adopt...  
that, would be equivalent to the Honors, that were afforded Prince Jonah Kūhiō  
Kalaniana'ole, many years, ago:  
1) A Funded State Holiday on Kalanihiapo Wilikoki's Birthday....  
Feb. 15th (next week Monday)...  
perhaps, calling it.... "Kalanihiapo Wilikoki Day"  
2) A Celebratory Holiday, organized, annually, by a Fully-Funded "Celebration  
Committee"....  
3) A Major Highway or Freeway.... named in his honor.... in the same manner,  
that, "Kalaniana'ole Hwy" was named for our beloved Prince...  
4) A Major Highway, and other important relevant land-marks....  
on the Island Of Maui.... be named for this Native-Maui Chief....  
just as, "Kūhiō Ave"... & "Kūhiō Beach & Mall".... in Waikiki.... are named for  
our beloved 2nd Delegate-To-Congress" .... to honor his residence, that once  
stood, in the area...  
I hope that you will agree with me....  
that, the Fame & Achievements of this "Royal Son of Maui" ....  
ought to be brought to the attention of Maui's People...  
& I ask.... that, KPOA, be...  
the Broadcast Station that becomes "The Voice" to inform ALL OF MAUI...

Mahalo & Aloha e...  
Palani Vaughan

Aloha ,

Senator Maile Shimabukuro

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