



GM605

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL, ISLAND OF HAWAI'I, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, TERRI NAPEAHI, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2018

Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

April 6, 2017

1:15 p.m.

Room 016

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment Committee will recommend that the Board of Trustees **SUPPORT** GM605, which would confirm OHA Nominee Terri Napeahi as the Hilo regional representative on the Hawai'i Island Burial Council (HIBC).

Ms. Napeahi has been active with groups fostering Hawaiian art and culture including the Papa Mu Gallery, P.I.H.A. (Perpetuating Indigenous Hawaiian Artists), and the Pele Defense Fund for a number of years. She has ancestral ties to different moku throughout Hawai'i Island and has served as an archaeological field technician on Hawai'i Island for two years. Ms. Napeahi has expressed a deep dedication to her community, culture, and the proper treatment of iwi kupuna.

Therefore, OHA urges the committee to **PASS** GM605 to confirm Ms. Napeahi to the HIBC. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR OF
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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS**

**Thursday, April 6, 2017
1:15 PM**

State Capitol, Conference Room 016

**In consideration of
GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 605
SUBMITTING FOR THE CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE ISLAND
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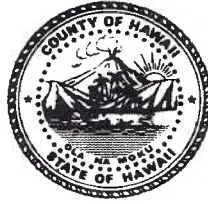
The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports Governor's Message 605, nominating Ms. Terri Napeahi to the Island Burial Council, Island of Hawai'i expiring June 30, 2018.

The Island Burial Councils are established under Section 6E-43.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The Councils determine whether to preserve or relocate previously identified native Hawaiian burial sites, recognize lineal and cultural descendants, and provide counsel and advice to the Department.

Ms. Napeahi is a resident of Hilo and Mountain View. She holds a B.A. in Business Administration and owns her own company, Papa Mu Native Hawaiian LLC. This company specializes in the sale of native Hawaiian authentic products, including crafts and traditional and local foods. She has genealogical ties to the entire island of Hawai'i. She is a founder of the Keaukaha Action Network, Vice President of the Pele Defense Fund and is a representative of the Aha Moku o Keawe, Hilo Council. Ms. Napeahi has been serving on the Hawai'i Island Burial Council on an interim basis.

Senate confirmation will ensure that Ms. Napeahi's knowledge and perspective informs the deliberations of the Hawai'i Island Burial Council until June 30, 2018.

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April 3, 2017

The Honorable Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Chair
The Honorable Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair
The Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 222
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 605 – TERRI NAPEAHI

Dear Senator Shimabukuro, Senator Galuteria and Members of the Committee:

I am writing this letter of support for the appointment of Terri Napeahi to the Hawai'i Island Burial Council.

The Napeahi – Meheula 'Ohana has historic and genealogical ties to the Big Island that date back more than a hundred years. Ms. Napeahi is intimately familiar with Native Hawaiian issues and the protocols related to our iwi kūpuna that make Ms. Napeahi a natural fit for the role of commissioner for the Island Burial Council.

I kindly ask for your favorable consideration of this this request.

Aloha Piha,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan L.K. Lee Loy", written over a printed name and title.

Susan "Sue" L.K. Lee Loy
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