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Testimony of SUZANNE D. CASE Chairperson

Before the Senate Committee on WATER AND LAND

Wednesday, April 19, 2017 1:30 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 224

In consideration of
GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 817
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE GAME
MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE,
ROBERT CREMER, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2019

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports Governor's Message 817, nominating Mr. Robert Cremer to the Game Management Advisory Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2019.

Pursuant to Section 183D-4.5, Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), the Game Management Advisory Commission (Commission) shall: 1) serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board); and 2) consist of nine members to be appointed by the Governor in the manner provided in Section 26-34, HRS. The Commission shall include a member from the County of Kaua'i, three members from the County of Maui (one member from each of the islands of Maui, Moloka'i and Lāna'i), two members from the County of Hawai'i (one member from East Hawai'i and one member from West Hawai'i), one member from the City and County of Honolulu, one at-large member, and the Chairperson of the Board or the Chairperson's designated representative. Each member, other than the Chairperson of the Board, is required to be a hunter licensed in the State and have leadership experience in working directly with local hunter or shooting organizations. At least one member shall have knowledge, experience and expertise in the area of native Hawaiian cultural practices, and no more than three members shall represent, be employed by, or be under contract to any sector of government.

Mr. Cremer has been nominated to be a member of the Commission from the County of Kaua'i. He is a licensed hunter and outdoorsman, a member of the Hawai'i Hunting Association, and is Chair of the Hunting Committee on Kaua'i with the Hawai'i Rifle Association. Mr. Cremer is

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well known and respected throughout his island community, having served many years as a youth athletics coach and board member of both the Kapa'a Pop Warner Association Board and Kapa'a Little League. His broad civic involvement on Kaua'i will be an asset in establishing a healthy dialogue among stakeholders.

Mr. Cremer's range of knowledge and experience with hunting will make him an excellent member of the Game Management Advisory Commission.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tony Sylvester	Hawaii Sportsmen's Allaince	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Chair, Vice Chair and Committee members, The Hawaii Sportsmen's Alliance strongly support Robert Cremer to represent Kauai on the State Game Commission. Robert is a generational hunter gatherer and is well liked in his community. Robert understanding the importance of sustenance gathering and what it means to people in his community. His ability to work with others would be invaluable on this commission. I have had the pleasure of working with Robert to preserve, protect and promote public hunting in Hawaii and I look forward to working with him in his new role as commissioner. Mahalo, Tony Sylvester Hawaii Sportsmen's Alliance

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Hawaii Hunting Association

"To Preserve, Protect, and Promote Public Hunting"

Senate Committee on Water and Land Senate Confirmation Hearing for Hawaii State Game Management Advisory Commission

Room 224, April 19, 2017, 1:30 PM

Robert R. Cremer Jr. - Support nomination for Kauai Representative to the State Game Management Advisory Commission

April 17, 2017

Dear Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Gabbard, and esteemed members of the Committee on Water and Land,

Robert Cremer has been a long time hunter who has been involved in hunting issues on Kauai for years, is well known, and was an active participant in the formation of this legislation creating the State Game Management Advisory Commission. Robert is well suited to bring community issues into focus while working collaboratively with others to bringing integrated solutions towards sustainable game management to Hawaii's vast forest lands.

Much Aloha,

Thomas Clodge

Tom Lodge

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nani pogline	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As Vice-Chair of the Hawaii County GMAC, I strongly support Robert Cremer to serve as a commissioner on the State GM Commission.

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Nicolai Barca	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a Kauai hunter and professional conservationist, I have known of Robert Cremer for a number of years and sad to say, we have not always seen eye to eye, especially when it comes to fences and biocontrol. I've known Robert to be a leader and organizer of the hunting community, both on Kauai and statewide, since he is very active in social media. It is clear that he cares deeply about our hunting community and culture, and I've known him to always come to their aid whenever there was a threat. I feel he will bring that same passion and dedication to the state game management commission in protecting the rights of hunters and perpetuating the hunting culture in our islands. –Nicolai Barca

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Alonso Martin Jr	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

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