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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 821
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE GAME
MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, LORI
BUCHANAN, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2019**

**The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports
Governor's Message 821, nominating Ms. Lori Buchanan 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 Lana'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.

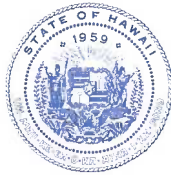
Ms. Buchanan has been nominated as a member for the Commission from the County of Maui, Island of Moloka'i. Ms. Buchanan is a licensed hunter who has been identified as an advocate for

the hunting community on Moloka‘i, many of whom are native Hawaiian homesteaders and hunt for subsistence.

As Coordinator of the Moloka‘i/Maui Invasive Species Committee, Ms. Buchanan has nurtured a longstanding and positive working relationship with the Department. She also has an admirable history of public service to both state and county government. Assuming Ms. Buchanan receives Senate confirmation to serve on the Commission, she will step down from her current appointment to the Marine and Coastal Zone Advisory Council with the State Office of Planning. Previously, she served as the Vice Chair of the Legacy Lands Conservation Commission and as the Chairperson of the Moloka‘i Planning Commission.

Ms. Buchanan is also well known and respected on Moloka‘i as an active member of the ‘Aha Kiole Advisory Committee. In this role, she brings great knowledge, experience and expertise in the area of native Hawaiian cultural practices.

Ms. Buchanan’s extensive knowledge and experience with hunting issues on Moloka‘i and understanding of Hawaiian cultural practices will make her an excellent member of the Game Management Advisory Commission.



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Testimony on **GM 821**
Confirmation of **LORI BUCHANAN**
Game Management Advisory Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee

Representative Lynn DeCoite

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

Wednesday, April 19, 2017
1:30pm, Room 224

Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Gabbard and committee members:

I respectfully request your support in confirming the appointment of LORI BUCHANAN to the Game Management Advisory Commission. Ms. Buchanan's continued service to her community shows the level of commitment and dedication we can expect from her in this new post.

Her knowledge and involvement on the invasive species councils on both Molokai and Big Island, Marine Coastal Zone Commission, Legacy Lands Conservation Commission and the Molokai Planning Commission give her a unique perspective of the land across the state. Coming from a family and community of hunters and fishermen, Ms. Buchanan has a true viewpoint and understanding of what is needed and what will realistically work when reviewing plans and permits for the Game Management Advisory Commission to consider.

On a personal level, I have known Ms. Buchanan for many years. She is always someone who is willing to help and is trusted by many community members.

For these reasons and so many more, I ask for your full support in her confirmation.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Lynn DeCoite
State House of Representative
District 13



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I respectfully support the confirmation for the appointment of **LORI BUCHANAN** to the Game Management Advisory Commission. Ms. Buchanan's service to her island community of Molokai, shows the level of commitment and dedication we can expect from her as a commissioner for this important Commission.

Her knowledge and involvement on the invasive species councils on both Molokai and Big Island, the Marine Coastal Zone Commission, the Legacy Lands Conservation Commission and the Molokai Planning Commission, gives her a unique perspective of the different issues within our state. Coming from a family and community of hunters and fishermen, Ms. Buchanan has the understanding that hunters and fishermen are truly conservationists at heart and understand the balance between their activities, conservation and protecting the environment.

I have worked with Ms. Buchanan as a member of the Hawaii Invasive Species Council and can attest to her diligent efforts to protect Hawaii and its environment, while working with her community and stakeholders throughout the state. I am sure that she will bring this same commitment, effort and experiences to address the issues faced by our hunters in Hawaii as a member of the Game Management Advisory Commission.

I ask for your full support to confirmation **LORI BUCHANAN** for the Game Management Advisory Commission

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard H. K. Onishi".

Representative Richard H. K. Onishi
State House of Representatives
District 3



Hanalei Watershed Hui

April 15, 2017

Senator Carl Rhoads
Hawaii State Senate

Re: Nomination of Lori Buchanan as the Molokai member to the new State Game Management Advisory Council.

Hearing: **April 19, 2017 at 1:30pm** at the Hawaii State Capitol

Aloha Senator,

Our organization is very pleased to support the nomination of Lori Buchanan to this very important “new” Council.

We have worked with Lori over many years on various issues of shared community concerns and find her to be thoughtful and deliberate in her approach and attentive to the details of the issues. She understands the complexities and various interests in many of our issues and is able to balance sentiment with fact.

Lori brings much experience and the respect of her community to this opportunity.

We ask you to support her nomination.

Me ka pono,

Maka'ala Ka'aumoana
Executive Director

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Cc: wekeis333@gmail.com
Subject: Submitted testimony for GM821 on Apr 19, 2017 13:30PM

GM821

Submitted on: 4/14/2017

Testimony for WTL on Apr 19, 2017 13:30PM in Conference Room 224

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

Comments: Aloha Chair, Vice Chair and Committee members, The Hawaii Sportsmen's Alliance supports Lori Buchanan to represent Molokai on the State Game Commission. Lori will bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the table. Lori understands the culture and importance of sustenance hunting and gathering and the balance that is required in native species protection. I look forward to working with Lori to preserve, protect and promote public hunting in Hawaii. I have known Lori for six years and she has always been very respectful and honest to others. Mahalo, Tony Sylvester Hawaii Sportsmen's Alliance

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Date: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 6:01:35 AM
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GM821

Submitted on: 4/18/2017

Testimony for WTL on Apr 19, 2017 13:30PM in Conference Room 224

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tom Lodge	hawaii hunting association	Oppose	Yes

Comments: There is another qualified applicant from Molokai Island who is an officer of a bonafide hunting club on Molokai Island, is a hunter, has his own business and is an outdoorsman and should be considered in place of Ms. Buchanan. Much Aloha,

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“To Preserve, Protect, and Promote Public Hunting”

Senate Committee on Water and Land

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Commission

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

Lori L. Buchanan –**Opposed for not having required qualification**

April 17, 2017

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

We recognize Lori Buchanan’s many talents and civic contributions, a good number of which would be welcomed on a Commission such as the fledgling Game Management Advisory Commission. Though Lori’s accomplishments and expertise span many areas and interests, none qualify her for this Commission since Lori’s resume doesn’t show that she has been an active member of or having held a leadership position of either a hunting or shooting organization.

Much Aloha,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas Lodge". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Tom Lodge

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Submitted on: 4/18/2017

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
nani pogline	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: As Vice-Chair of the Hawaii County GMAC, I oppose the election of Lori Buchanan for a State GM commissioner. She has a history of conflicting interest.

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Submitted on: 4/17/2017

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kanoelani Davis	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, I wish to support Lori Buchanan as the Molokai member to the new State Game Management Advisory Council. I feel that she is capable, educated, and dedicated to the 'aina, kai, and all it's resources. Her passion lies in what is pono for the future of our resources and I fully support her as an active member on our island, as a mother and a generational child of Molokai. Mahalo, Kanoelani Davis

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Submitted on: 4/16/2017

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Karen Poepoe	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Lori is knowledgable and committed. I support this candidate. Mahalo.

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Shaelene Kamakaala	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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From: Jacob Muise [<mailto:jakemuise@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 10:09 AM
Subject: Testimony For Mrs. Lori Buchanan

Aloha Mr Rhoads & Faige,

I'm writing to submit testimony and my support for the nomination of Lori Buchanan to the State Game Management Advisory Council.

Mrs. Buchanan is highly intelligent and has extensive experience in almost every facet of land management and community planning. She brings a practical but calculated view based on years of success in the field and as leader in her community for the last 30 years.

More importantly she understands the value and importance that Hawaii's endemic and invasive species can offer our communities and has practical experience managing them.

I would attribute her high level of success professionally to her unique ability to balance both community, cultural and environmental issues and find realistic ways to succeed.

I look forward to hearing about Mrs. Buchanan's nomination to the Game Management Advisory Council.

Mahalo,

Jake Muise