



Native Hawaiian Education Council

March 20, 2017

Representative Kaniela Ing, Chair
Representative Cedric Asuega Gates, Vice
Chair
State of Hawai'i
House of Representatives
Committee on Ocean Marine Resources &
Hawaiian Affairs (OMH)

Representative Ken Ito, Chair
Representative James Kunane Tokioka,
Vice Chair
State of Hawai'i
House of Representatives
Committee on Veterans, Military and
International Affairs and Culture and the
Arts (VMI)

Via: Electronic Upload - OMHtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov;
VMItestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

RE: **HCR192, HR120** – re: REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ISSUE A
PROCLAMATION TO DESIGNATE JANUARY 2018 TO JANUARY 2019 AS THE
YEAR OF THE HAWAIIAN AND REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN
AFFAIRS TO STUDY AND RECOMMEND TO THE LEGISLATURE A PLAN TO
CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF THE HAWAIIAN.

Aloha mai kakou,

The Native Hawaiian Education Council (NHEC or the Council) **STRONGLY SUPPORTS HCR192, HR120** based on the:

- A. The Native Hawaiian Education Vision, Mission and Goals as detailed in Attachment A; and
- B. NHEC's platform and priorities as articulated in Attachment B.

The Council offers its assistance and support to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to assist with the study in making a recommendation to the Legislature regarding a plan to celebrate the Year of the Hawaiian.



Kaniela Ing & Cedric Aseuga Gates
Ken Ito & James Kunane Tokioka
March 20, 2017
Page 2

The Native Hawaiian Education Council was established in 1994 under the federal Native Hawaiian Education Act. The Council is charged with coordinating, assessing and reporting and making recommendations on the effectiveness of existing education programs for Native Hawaiians, the state of present Native Hawaiian education efforts, and improvements that may be made to existing programs, policies, and procedures to improve the educational attainment of Native Hawaiians.

Please feel free to contact the Council's Executive Director, Dr. Sylvia Hussey, directly via e-mail (sylvia@nhec.org), office (808.523.6432) or mobile (808.221.5477) telephone with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa M. Watkins-Victorino". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Dr. Lisa M. Watkins-Victorino, Chair

cc: Policy & Advocacy and Executive Committees and staff



From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2017 4:53 PM
To: omhtestimony
Cc: hawaiifishingfanatic@gmail.com
Subject: *Submitted testimony for HCR192 on Mar 21, 2017 10:30AM*

HCR192

Submitted on: 3/19/2017

Testimony for OMH/VMI on Mar 21, 2017 10:30AM in Conference Room 312

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Don Aweau	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please note that testimony submitted less than 24 hours prior to the hearing, improperly identified, or directed to the incorrect office, may not be posted online or distributed to the committee prior to the convening of the public hearing.

Do not reply to this email. This inbox is not monitored. For assistance please email webmaster@capitol.hawaii.gov

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Saturday, March 18, 2017 1:09 PM
To: omhtestimony
Cc: mendezj@hawaii.edu
Subject: *Submitted testimony for HCR192 on Mar 21, 2017 10:30AM*

HCR192

Submitted on: 3/18/2017

Testimony for OMH/VMI on Mar 21, 2017 10:30AM in Conference Room 312

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please note that testimony submitted less than 24 hours prior to the hearing, improperly identified, or directed to the incorrect office, may not be posted online or distributed to the committee prior to the convening of the public hearing.

Do not reply to this email. This inbox is not monitored. For assistance please email webmaster@capitol.hawaii.gov

LATE



KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS®

Time: 10:30 a.m.
Date: March 21, 2017
Where: Conference Room 312

TESTIMONY
By Kau‘i Burgess
Kamehameha Schools

To: Chairs Ing and Ito, Vice Chairs Gates and Tokioka, and Members of the Committee

RE: **HCR192 AND HR120** REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ISSUE A PROCLAMATION TO DESIGNATE JANUARY 2018 TO JANUARY 2019 AS THE YEAR OF THE HAWAIIAN AND REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS TO STUDY AND RECOMMEND TO THE LEGISLATURE A PLAN TO CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF THE HAWAIIAN.

E nā Luna Ho‘omalua Ing a me Ito, nā Hope Luna Ho‘omalua Gates a me Tokioka a me nā Lālā o ke Kōmike, aloha! My name is Kau‘i Burgess and I serve as the Director of Community Relations for Kamehameha Schools.

Kamehameha Schools **strongly supports** HCR192 and HR120, which requests the Governor to issue a proclamation to designate January 2018 to January 2019 as the year of the Hawaiian and requesting the office of Hawaiian affairs to study and recommend to the legislature a plan to celebrate the year of the Hawaiian.

Kamehameha Schools is working with community members and organizations that share a vision and commitment to the collective well-being of the Lāhui Hawai‘i. We believe that a year-long celebration would help to cultivate a strong Native Hawaiian identity and develop leaders from Hawai‘i whose skills will impact our local and global communities.

Founded in 1887, Kamehameha Schools is an organization striving to advance a thriving Lāhui where all Native Hawaiians are successful, grounded in traditional values, and leading in the local and global communities. We believe that community success is individual success, Hawaiian culture-based education leads to academic success and local leadership drives global leadership.

‘A‘ohe hana nui ke alu ‘ia. No task is too large when we all work together. Mahalo nui.

LATE

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2017 7:17 AM
To: omhtestimony
Cc: burgharc@gmail.com
Subject: Submitted testimony for HCR192 on Mar 21, 2017 10:30AM

HCR192

Submitted on: 3/21/2017
Testimony for OMH/VMI on Mar 21, 2017 10:30AM in Conference Room 312

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
cheryl	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The year of the Hawaiian? We are Hawai'i. It's always the day, month, year of Hawaiians here. How about just respecting and following the mandates for what is pono on our islands already? Like translators being available for 'olelo Hawai'i, street and building names spelled correctly, correspondence from the "STATE" in 'olelo Hawai'i, DA bus signs in 'olelo Hawai'i. Instead of having tourist show support of Hawai'i at the Capitol, how about all the time? There is only one group of people on our islands that traces their lineage to here. Everyone else, the Japanese, Filipinos, Portuguese all have a "homeland" even if born and raised here. While increasing the understanding that we live on Hawaiian islands is a good thing, this should be done all the time not just for a year.

Please note that testimony submitted less than 24 hours prior to the hearing, improperly identified, or directed to the incorrect office, may not be posted online or distributed to the committee prior to the convening of the public hearing.

Do not reply to this email. This inbox is not monitored. For assistance please email webmaster@capitol.hawaii.gov

LATE

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 5:48 PM
To: omhtestimony
Cc: blawaiianlvr@icloud.com
Subject: Submitted testimony for HCR192 on Mar 21, 2017 10:30AM

HCR192

Submitted on: 3/20/2017
Testimony for OMH/VMI on Mar 21, 2017 10:30AM in Conference Room 312

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
De MONT R. D. CONNER	Ho'omana Pono, LLC.	Support	Yes

Comments: We STRONGLY SUPPORT this resolution!

Please note that testimony submitted less than 24 hours prior to the hearing, improperly identified, or directed to the incorrect office, may not be posted online or distributed to the committee prior to the convening of the public hearing.

Do not reply to this email. This inbox is not monitored. For assistance please email webmaster@capitol.hawaii.gov