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Hawaii Burial Council

DLNR

*ref: Hawaii Island Burial Commission*

With respect to a position as commissioner on the Hawaii Island Burial Commission, I believe I am an excellent candidate as commissioner. I have a long standing community relationship in the Hawaiian Community in a variety of different expressions that allows me to communicate effectively with our eclectic community:

- Hokulea Crew Member, 1978
- Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Voter Registrar, 1978
- Protect Kahoolawe Ohana, 1980
- Keaukaha Community Outreach Math Tutorial, 1995
- Kamehameha Schools, Keaukaha Campus, Math & Science Teacher, 1996
- Hawaiian based math and science alternative school, 3rd - 8th grade, in conjunction with Russian Academy of Sciences and NASSA, 1999
- Healthcare Proposal for Triage Hospital Keaukaha, 2000
- Promise Keepers, Men's Ministry, Hilo 2002
- RCUH, Economic Development, Molokai, 2004

*My professional experience includes the following:*

- Motorola Communications & Electronics, VP South Pacific, 1976-85
- Midpacific Molecular, General Manager, 1986-1999
- Kapono & Associates Inc, Pharmaceutical Consultant R&D, CEO, 2000 - 2009
- M2M Enterprises Inc., CEO, Hawaiian Health, 2012 - present
- Po'ohala Diabetes II Project, ED, GDM preventative health, 2012 - present

*Academic Experience:*

- San Francisco State University, BA, International Business, [REDACTED]
- Tuck at Dartmouth College, MBED, Business, [REDACTED]
- Krasnoyarsk State University, PhD Candidate, International Econ, [REDACTED]

*Personal Local References:*



My personal ethos on native Hawaiian issues speaks to supporting a means by which government can effectively understand the root cause of Hawaiian Community expressed cultural concerns outside of the politics that hinder kanaka cultural advancement. In summary, I believe native people have an authentic responsibility to their ancestors to care for the antiquity that has been given us to share with all the people of Hawaii for the betterment of Moku O Keawe.

*Malama pono,*



Clifford P. Kaponu  
Applicant