

# THE ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS

Ke Kōmike Kuleana Hawai'i

Pōʻalua, Malaki 19, 2019 Lumi ʻAha Kūkā 016 Ke Kapikala Mokuʻāina 415 South Beretānia Street

Re: SCR177/SR144 - REQUESTING THE PROBATE COURT TO INCREASE TRANSPARENCY REGARDING THE KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS TRUSTEE SELECTION PROCESS

*Aloha Luna Ho'omalu* Shimabukuro, *Hope Luna Ho'omalu* Kahele and members of the Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs:

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs Board of Directors **SUPPORTS** SCR177/SR144. At its 53rd annual convention, the Association passed resolution 2012-8, which reaffirms its support of the Native Hawaiian trusts, including Kamehameha Schools. In line with that resolution, the Association Board affirmed support of the noted resolutions given that they do not run contrary to any other position taken by the House of Delegates at the annual convention.

The resolution calls for the probate court to increase its transparency regarding the selection of trustees of the Kamehameha Schools.

Thus, the Association respectfully urges the committees to PASS SCR177/SR144.

The civic club movement was founded in 1918 by Congressional Delegate Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole with the creation of the Hawaiian Civic Club; the Association was formally organized in 1959 and has grown to a confederation of over sixty (60) Hawaiian Civic Clubs located throughout the State of Hawai'i and the United States. The Association is the oldest Hawaiian community-based grassroots organization. The Association is governed by a 16-member Board of Directors; advocates for improved welfare of Native Hawaiians in culture, health, economic development, education, social welfare, and nationhood; and perpetuates and preserves language, history, music, dance and other Native Hawaiian cultural traditions.

Mahalo for allowing us to share our mana 'o.

Me ka 'oia'i'o,

Hailama Farden *Pelekikena* 

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Benton Kealii Pang, Ph.D.	Individual	Support	No

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Nako'olani Warrington	Individual	Support	No	Ī

## Comments:

In SUPPORT of this resolution and all efforts that regulate and enforce transparency at KS.

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Kendrick Farm	Individual	Comments	No	ı

Comments:

Position: SCR177 Providing Comments

Thank you for taking the time to read this testimony, though I agree with the intent of this resolution there is a need for further discussion. There must be a clearly defined definition within the resolution which clarifies what a "stakeholder" is. This may seem axiomatic to the casual observer but in conversation with Hawaiians and various Hawaiian groups the currently language of the resolution of is not clear.

In order for there to be harmony in which this resolution was created with the intent to do. The matter above must be addressed.

Mahalo,

Ken Farm