

STATE OF HAWAII



**KING KAMEHAMEHA
CELEBRATION COMMISSION**

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June 29, 2020

**The Honorable Chair
Senator Brian T. Taniguchi Committee on Labor, Culture
and The Arts Conference
Room 229 State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813**

Aloha e Honorable Chair and Committee,

I am writing in support of Jessie Silva-Ducaroy (Island of Moloka`i), who is being considered for confirmation to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, for a term to expire 06/30/2023.

As Executive Director of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission I strongly support the appointment of Jessie Silva-Ducaroy to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission. Jerald will provided valuable input and will be a great asset to the Commission.

I in favor of her appointment.

Mahalo,

**Amy Hammond, Executive Director
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Testimony for LCA on 6/30/2020 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Geraldine Miyamoto	Testifying for King Kamehameha Celebration Commission	Support	No

Comments:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message GM811 for the consideration and confirmation of Jessie Silva-Ducaroy to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission. The Commission strongly supports her nomination and confirmation to the KKCC.

Based on Jessie Silva-Ducaroy's experience, community involvement and solid track record, the KKCC is in full accord for the nominee to be considered and confirmed to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony,

Geraldine Miyamoto

Member of KKCC

GM-811

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bridget A. Mowat808	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Date: June 27, 2020

**The Honorable Chair Senator Brian T. Taniguchi
Committee on Labor, Culture and The Arts**

Conference Room 224 State Capitol

415 South Beretania St.

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**TESTIMONY OF BRIDGET A. MOWAT, KUHIO DAY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE
AND HAWAIIAN HOMESTEADER, KAPAAKEA, MOLOKAI.**

BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, CULTURE AND THE ARTS

**TUESDAY, JUNE 30,, 2020
3:00 P.M.
ROOM 224**

**GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE GM 811
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE KING
KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE,
JESSIE SILVA-DUCAROY , FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06/30/23.**

Chairperson Taniguchi and Members of the Committee,

**Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message 811 for the
consideration and confirmation of JESSIE SILVA-DUCAROY to the King
Kamehameha Celebration Commission. The KUHIO DAY CELEBRATION
COMMITTEE OF MOLOKAI strongly supports JESSIE SILVA-DUCAROY'S, (**

AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS * HELI) nomination and confirmation to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

***Heli is also an active participant in the local community and the Kalamaula Homestead Association where she serves as President of the KHA Community Board of Directors. She led the Kuhio Day Celebration Committee which was the best celebration I've ever attended. I am also part of Heli's committee and would like to comment on her leadership, commitment, and ability to work with others. Her vision takes us out of the box and with her enthusiasm, the committee did venture out to create such a wonderful celebration for our Ali'i Prince Jonah Kuhio.**

Her leadership also got the community and funds to renovate Kiowea Park on the grounds of Kamehameha's Royal Coconut Grove. The grove is now cleaned and protected. A new pavilion which was started with the help of Kalamaula residence was stopped by the untimely death of Jessie's uncle, Richard Negrillo, who led the building efforts. The building sat idle months and the progress that was made beforehand was getting weather worn. This sparked the desire in Heli to have it completed and she rallied up the troops, secured funds and got the building completed except for the electrical finish. Unfortunately, because of covid-19 pandemic, the last step to completion and opening is put on hold.

She is well known in the community and has a deep respect for our Hawaiian culture and tradition. Jessie is also very involved in the music and hula community, she has lots of connections which is an asset when working for this prestigious event in our Hawaiian Islands.

Her contributions to Moloka'i is of great value and I know she will take this position seriously and with a humbly heart.

Based on * Heli's experience, community involvement, and solid track record in the community, The Kuhio Day Celebration Committee and and my family, strongly supports the consideration and confirmation of Jessie Silva-Ducaroy to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony. Unfortunately, under the circumstances, getting this testimony in and covid-19, meeting with my Kapaakea Hawaiian Homestead Association members could not happen so I cannot represent or speak for my homestead community. I am the Secretary for our Homestead Association and will try to notify them through social media.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony,

Bridget A. Mowat,

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Testimony for LCA on 6/30/2020 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lu Ann Faborito	Testifying for KKCC, Molokai Island Commissioner	Support	No

Comments:



The Salvation Army

A Community Center for Worship and Service

06/29/20

State of Hawaii
The Senate, 13th Legislature
Committee on Labor, Culture & the Arts

Agenda: GM 811 – Jessie Heli Silva-Ducaroy
King Kamehameha Celebration Commission
Gubernatorial Nominee
Notice of Hearing: Tuesday, June 30, 2020

Aloha,

I am writing this letter in support of GM811, nomination of Jessie Heli Silva-Ducaroy to the King Kamehameha Celebration Committee.

The celebration of our Mo'i Kamehameha comes but once a year, the responsibility of a group to ensure that our local and visiting communities are the beneficiaries of a most "maika'i" experience is no small task.

As I know Heli both professionally and personally, I believe she would be a great addition to the KKC commission. With her extensive background in hospitality and entertainment Heli displays a strong sense of leadership, planning skill and public service qualities. She has a penchant for going above and beyond the call of duty. She excels and exceeds expectations consistently.

As an entertainer Heli is well connected and respected. Characteristically she shows confidence, assertiveness and focus. She is very engaging and never at a loss for words with a great sense of articulation.

Additionally, Heli is Moloka'i home grown, she knows her community well and as a strong community advocate has her finger on the pulse of it. She takes it upon herself to understand a need and quickly discerns how to facilitate, service and support that need. And then seals it with Aloha.

I mahalo you for your consideration of Jessie Heli Silva-Ducaroy as a nominee.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ivan Pauole	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

GM-811

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Testimony for LCA on 6/30/2020 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michelle Brown	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Taniguchi and Vice Chair Ihara

I am submitting testimony on Governor Message 811 of Jessie "Heli" Silva-Ducaroy. I have known Jessie for over 30+ years both personally and professionally. I have witnessed the hard work, preservance and dedication of Jessie in all aspect of her professional and personal work. Jessie would be a Stellar addition to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission with her love for the Aina, the culture and most of all the people of the great State of Hawaii. I am in FULL support of Gubernatorial Nominee Jessie "Heli" Silva-Ducaroy GM 811.

Mahalo,

Michelle Brown- Private Secretary, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands

June 29, 2020

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF JESSIE ‘HELI’ SILVA-DUCAROY
(by Kēhau Pe‘a – Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs)
BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, CULTURE AND THE ARTS

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SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE KING
KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE,
JESSIE ‘HELI’ SILVA-DUCAROY, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2023.

Aloha e Chairperson Taniguchi and Members of the Committee,

I humbly submit my testimony of support on Governor’s Message 810 for the consideration and confirmation of HELI SILVA-DUCAROY to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission. I strongly support HELI SILVA-DUCAROY’S nomination and confirmation to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.
HELI SILVA-DUCAROY is also an active participant in her local Molokai community.

Based on HELI SILVA-DUCAROY’S community involvement, The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs strongly supports the consideration and confirmation of HELI SILVA-DUCAROY to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony.

Me ke aloha,



Kēhau Pe‘a – King Kamehameha Celebration Commissioner representing the
Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs