

**Senator Brian Taniguchi, Chair
Senate Committee on Labor, Culture & the Arts
State Senate, State Capitol
415 S. Beretania Street, Room 225 & via teleconference
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813**

March 11, 2021

Aloha Chair Taniguchi and honorable members of the Committee,

Submitting a request to serve a second term as a Commissioner, representing the island of Hawai'i. During my first term I was able to strengthen relationships between the Kohala, Hilo and Kona event planning committees and increase participation. Looking forward to continuing that work.

Additionally, as Chair of the KKCC's statutory committee, I am focused on the transition of the Hilo statue from the Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association to the State of Hawai'i.

I hope to continue striving towards these and other goals of increased community support and independent financial stability for the Commission. I am proud to serve and looking forward to another term, at your pleasure.

Mahalo nui,

Desiree Moana Cruz
Senate Nominee for KKCC Commissioner
Representing the Island of Hawai'i
King Kamehameha Celebration Commission

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STATE OF HAWAII



**KING KAMEHAMEHA
CELEBRATION COMMISSION**

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March 9, 2021

**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 Desiree Moana Cruz (Island of Hawai'i), who is being considered for confirmation to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission as a Gubernatorial Nominee.

As Executive Director of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission I strongly support the appointment of Desiree Moana Cruz to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission. She provides valuable input and is a great asset to the commission.

I strongly urge you to vote in favor of her appointment.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy Hammond".

**Amy Hammond, Executive Director
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