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Legislative Testimony

GM747

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE ISLAND BURIAL
COUNCIL, ISLANDS OF MAUI AND LĀNA‘I, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, DANE
MAXWELL, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2025
Ke Kōmike ‘Aha Kenekoa o ke Kuleana Hawai‘i
Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

Malaki 30, 2021

1:00 p.m.

Hālāwai Keleka‘a‘ike

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **SUPPORTS** GM747, which would confirm former OHA nominee Dane Maxwell for an additional term as the Lahaina regional representative to the Maui and Lāna‘i Island Burial Council (MLIBC).

Mr. Maxwell’s training and experience with historic preservation issues since his early youth make him a particularly appropriate candidate for the MLIBC. Mr. Maxwell and his ‘ohana carry a legacy of cultural and historic preservation in his moku. Born in Wailuku, Mr. Maxwell attended Hawaiian language immersion school and learned hula at his ‘ohana hālau, Pukalani Hula Hale. Mr. Maxwell traces his dedication to the protection of burials to his memories of witnessing his grandfather, Charles Ka‘uluwehi Maxwell, Sr., and his colleagues re-inter iwi at Honokahua. He trained from a young age with his grandfather in proper re-interment protocol, becoming an ordained kahu in 2011. He currently owns his own business, CKM Cultural Resources, at which he is a cultural specialist and monitor. Through his work, he has assisted major developers with creating burial treatment plans and cultural impact statements and gained expertise on the state and federal laws related to these processes. Moreover, Mr. Maxwell has been serving on the MLIBC since 2014, and in recent years has served as its chair. Through his longstanding commitment to strongly represent his kūpuna and ho‘ōla iwi practices he has offered indispensable value to the MLIBC and should be granted the opportunity to continue his service.

For these reasons, OHA urges the Committee to **PASS** GM747, to confirm Mr. Maxwell to another term on the MLIBC. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

DAVID Y. IGE
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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS**

**Tuesday, March 30, 2021
1:00 PM-2:30 PM
State Capitol, Via Videoconference**

**In consideration of
GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 747
SUBMITTING FOR THE CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE ISLAND
BURIAL COUNCIL, ISLANDS OF MAUI AND LĀNA'I, GUBERNATORIAL
NOMINEE, DANE MAXWELL FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-25**

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports Governor's Message 747, nominating Mr. Dane Maxwell to the Island Burial Council, Islands of Maui and Lāna'i expiring June 30, 2025.

The Island Burial Councils are established under Section 6E-43.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The Councils determine whether to preserve or relocate previously identified native Hawaiian burial sites, recognize lineal and cultural descendants, and provide counsel and advice to the Department.

Dane Maxwell was born and raised on Maui. Mr. Maxwell currently serves on the Burial Council as its chair. He owns his own business, CKM Cultural Resources, and serves as its cultural specialists, providing cultural monitoring services and advice. He is the grandson of Charles Kauluwehi Maxwell Sr., one of those kupuna and pioneers actively involved in the reinterment of iwi kupuna at Honokāhua. All of his grandfather's knowledge and experience was taught to Mr. Maxwell as it was Mr. Maxwell who accompanied his grandfather to meetings and site visits.

Senate confirmation will ensure that Mr. Maxwell knowledge and perspective informs the deliberations of the Maui Lāna'i Islands Burial Council until June 30, 2023.

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Testimony for HWN on 3/30/2021 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alan Downer	Testifying for DLNR	Support	No

Comments:

I am available for questions. Please allow me Zoom access. Thank you.

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Testimony for HWN on 3/30/2021 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nameaaea Hoshino	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha mai kakou

I'm here to support in the nomination of Dane Maxwell. He's very dedicated & committed in helping out in the Hawaiian community. I strongly feel he will continue to give back to fight for PONO.