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**Committees on
Hawaiian Affairs & Judiciary**
Tuesday, March 23, 2021 Via Videoconference

Re: SCR165/SR130 REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CONSENT TO THE ENACTMENT OF ACT 80, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2017.

Aloha Chair Shimabukuro, Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Keohokalole and members of both committees,

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs – Hawai'i Council **SUPPORTS SCR165/SR130.**

Since the implementation of the Hawaiian Homes Commission ACT of 1920, families are tied to these lands for over three generations or more generations. They have built farms and businesses that not only serve their family income but also contributed to Hawaii's economy in many different ways. To displace them would increase the housing shortages we already face, cause economic hardships on families and businesses that rely on Hawaiian Homestead farming, and potentially burden the State's social services sectors. Let us continue to work hard for these families just as Prince Jonah Kūhiō advocated over 100 years ago.

In 2017 at its 58th Annual Convention, The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs (AHCC) adopted resolution 2017-37 ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS TO EXPEDITE THE PROCEDURE TO AMEND THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT AS REQUIRED UNDER 43 CFR 48.15 TO ENABLE ACT 80, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2017 AND URGING MEMBERS OF HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION TO APPROVE ACT 80, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2017 IMMEDIATELY.

Thank you for your consideration and urge these committees to **SUPPORT SCR165/SR130.**

Me ka mahalo nui,

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Pelekikena

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Testimony for HWN on 3/23/2021 10:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alexander K.D. McNicoll	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am in strong support of SR130.