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TESTIMONY OF THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

April 5, 2023 Conference Room 211 & Videoconference at 10:00AM

H.B. 475 H.D.1., S.D.1

RELATING TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Chair Dela Cruz and members of the Committee, the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts (SFCA) is pleased to offer testimony in **SUPPORT** of H.B. 475 H.D.1., S.D.1.

SFCA supports the establishment of an art in private places and performing arts committee to be placed in the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts as described in H.B. 475 H.D.1, S.D.1.

The performing arts, including cultural presentations are an important part of Hawaii's creative economy. Incorporating a mechanism into the SFCA's guiding legislation is a step toward increasing support for this sector. Making "the arts" more publicly accessible may be a benefit of an art in private places program as proposed in H.B. 475 H.D.1, S.D.1.

The SFCA welcomes the opportunity to explore how best to serve the community by expanding our role contingent on a general fund appropriation that would support a dedicated art in private places and performing arts program and establishment of a permanent position to facilitate the programs.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this matter.

HB-475-SD-1

Submitted on: 4/3/2023 11:29:21 AM

Testimony for WAM on 4/5/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
DANELLE WATSON	Testifying for Alexander Academy Performing Company	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

We are in complete support of supporting Art in Private Places and Arts and Performing Arts Pilot programs. This will make more culture and art more available on our island. We see the value and need for this to be supported.

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Submitted on: 4/3/2023 11:42:23 AM

Testimony for WAM on 4/5/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Robert Douglas	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

The bill as written is ambiguous in regards to the performing arts budget it's percentage of the total arts budget. The outer islands are already poorly supported compared to Oahu.

The second issue is private spaces must exclude privately owned spaces. This program should not benefit corporations or wealthy individuals.

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Submitted on: 4/3/2023 1:28:07 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/5/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Cards Pintor	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,
I support this bill.
Mahalo nui,
Cards Pintor