

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3950**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 26 2024

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 746

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 746, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION

G.M. No. 746 SANOE MARFIL,
for a term to expire 06-30-2027,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Sanoe Marfil for service on the Hawaiian Homes Commission.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Sanoe Marfil from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; one member of the Kaua'i County Council; three Commissioners of the Hawaiian Homes Commission; Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement; Makaha Hawaiian Civic Club; Ahupua'a O Nānākuli Homestead; Wai'anae Valley Homestead Community Association; Keaukaha Pana'ewa Farmers Association; Nānākuli-Mā'ili Neighborhood Board No. 36; Nanakuli High and Intermediate School PTSA; Sovereign Council of Hawaiian Homestead Associations; Association of Hawaiians for Homestead Lands; Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs; Matson Navigation Company, Inc.; Ho'omana Pono, LLC; VKN Services, Inc.; and thirty-six individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Marfil's experience, background, and commitment to public



service qualify her for appointment to the Hawaiian Homes Commission. Your Committee notes that Ms. Marfil currently works as the Chief Program Officer at the Institute for Native Pacific Education and Culture where she has been employed since 2010. Her responsibilities encompass the strategic direction of all programming; development of strong relationships with foundations, businesses, and community leaders; and participation in development efforts through grant application and reporting. Ms. Marfil is also involved in her community, currently serving as the President of the Nanaikapono Hawaiian Civic Club and as a parent liaison for Ka Papahana 'o Mā'ilikūkahi. Ms. Marfil has nearly twenty years of experience as a nonprofit leader and is a Hawaiian educator with experience in Hawaiian culture and place-based pedagogy and curriculum. Your Committee finds that Ms. Marfil thoroughly understands the role and responsibilities of Commissioners and her experience, knowledge, and dedication to the advancement of Native Hawaiians will be assets to the Hawaiian Homes Commission. Your Committee therefore recommends that Sanoë Marfil be appointed to the Hawaiian Homes Commission based on her experience, knowledge, and dedication to public service.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,



MAILE S.L. SHIMABUKURO, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs
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Advise and Consent

Governor's Message No.:* GM 746	Committee Referral: HWN	Date: 4/11/2024		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340 <input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (C)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
FEVELLA, Kurt (VC)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
IHARA, Jr., Les				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
KEOHOKALOPE, Jarrett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim"	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
TOTAL	4			1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Kurt Fevela</i>				
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