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Date: March 18 2024

Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts

To: Committee Chair Senator Chris Lee

Committee Vice Chair Lorraine Inouye

SUBJ: House Bill 2715. Authorizes the issuance of special number plates to commemorate Malama Pu'uloa.

DATE: Tuesday, March 19, 2024

TIME: 3:00 PM

From: Anthony Chance, CEO and Founder of Hui O Ho'ohonua

I am writing this Letter of Support for House Bill 2715. The fundraising fees from this specialty license plate will directly support the restoration of not only Pu'uloa (Pearl Harbor), but the 12 freshwater streams that flow into Pu'uloa from the 12 Ahupua'a's that surround the Sacred waters of Pu'uloa.

Common Management Goals

- Remove invasive mangrove vegetation from Pearl Harbor shoreline and off-shore islands
- Improve water quality throughout all watersheds associated with Pearl Harbor
- Restore native wetlands and shoreline vegetation
- Restore oyster, mullet and native bird populations
- Restore Hawaiian fishponds where possible
- Engage the community in resource management and education
- Collect data that serves to inform our efforts
- Increase inter-agency collaboration and capacity
- Increased fresh water and food security, especially urgent in the current economic climate of Hawai'i

Watershed restoration:

- Associated habitat restoration for endangered/endemic species and mitigation required of the DoD
- Flood mitigation, associated with climate change and storm resiliency planning
- Decreased nonpoint polluted run-off and Pearl Harbor sedimentation

Sincerely,



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