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Danger5A@aol.com

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:23 PM

To:

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Subject:

SUPPORT SUPERFERRY

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007 TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

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Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:19:48 PM

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Arthur Robert Tiber and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I have lived here on Oahu for the last twenty-five years never visiting the other islands because of the cost involved, just never seemed worth the combined air and lodging tariffs since the very first I heard bout this Supperferry I been subconsciously planning trips to all the Supperferrys ports of call.

Would love to see it happen, while I can still move around to enjoy it!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Alissa Collins and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Hawaii has a wonderful opportunity to utilize a state-of-the-art vessel such as the Alakai to allow the time-honored tradition of ocean travel between the islands. I support the advancement of Hawaii into more modern times. As long as the Superferry and the State do their part in protecting the environment and our precious whales I am all for it.

Superferry has my vote! I wish to submit my comments here.

Alissa Collins

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From:

Williams, Leilani [LeilaniWilliams@clearchannel.com]

Sent:

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To:

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Subject:

My name is Leilani Williams and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Leilani Williams and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry was to be a way for me and my family to have more quality time together. Also the possibilities that it would have created for the business's and for the people of each Island are many. I can not understand the people who are against this. I am sure that even with a (EIS) they will find that the Superferry will not be doing any more damage then any of the other carries that bring people and things to and from all of our Islands. Please let our voice be heard and ask the people that are against the Superferry to try and go with out Matson or Young Brothers bringing over their food and supplies for a while and then lets talk (EIS). Who do those few think they are and why are we listening to them in the first place?

I thank you for your time!

Leilani Williams

Senior Account Executive

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From:

Chun Carsen F C3C USAFA/CS15 [C10Carsen.Chun@usafa.edu]

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Carsen Chun and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am in support of the Hawaii Superferry because I think it will bring economic strength to our state. With people traveling from island to island on the Hawaii Superferry, the small cities and towns will start to grow. This will help support the small businesses on all the different islands. It will also help people in financial trouble have a chance to visit family or friends on the other islands. The Superferry is just one ship of many that go through the harbors of Hawaii. So why not let this one go? It's what is best for the state.

Carsen F.S Chun P.O Box 5223 USAF Academy, CO 80841

(808)258-6658

From: Sent:

Mark Gavin [mark@gavinwood.biz] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:15 PM

To:

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Subject:

Interisland ferry support

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#### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

Please register my strong support for enabling the operation of the interisland ferry (horribly named the Superferry). I think it's about time we join every other island chain on earth, and provide water service among the islands.

Mark Gavin

Mark J. Gavin

GavinWood LLC

Principal

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From:

Bob Warren [bigislandbob@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent:

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To:

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Subject:

Support for the Superferry

To: The Honorable Chairmen and Representatives of the House Transportation and Finance Committees

From: Robert W. Warren

66-1517 W. Ko Uka Pl.

Kamuela, Hawaii, 96743 (808) 885-0912

Subject: Support for the Superferry

A year ago when the superferry was going through the hearing process I attended two public hearings, both of which were filled overwhelmingly by SUPPORTERS. Now a year later the "activists" are again trying to preclude another legitimate business from creating jobs, generating new revenues to the counties and state, providing alternatives to airline travel, and saving us money when we want to travel with a vehicle or goods to another island.

I was born and reared on Oahu, have lived for 17 years on the Big Island and lived for a couple years on Kauai forty years ago.

While the people of Hawaii have distinguished themselves over the years as being a very giving and compassionate populace; unfortunately there also exists a contingency of persons who, either because they have no interest in a project or can't afford it for themselves, they rally to keep others from benefitting from it. This was recently witnessed on the Big Island with the Hokulia Project, which while finally approved cost the developer many millions of dollars more than it should have because of a small very vocal group of "activists".

Our beautiful Islands now have the unfortunate distinction of being the worst state in the 50 to do business. If we continue to allow a "vocal minority" to yell and scream and block legitimate endeavors our state will find itself in an even worse financial condition than it is now.

The Superferry will benefit farmers and construction companies in moving goods in refrigerated or flatbed trucks. It will benefit retailers on all islands by encouraging more locals to go to other islands. Now that sugar and pineapple are all but a memory, the State of Hawaii needs to nurture new businesses which will provide hundreds of jobs for our children, not to mention providing much needed new revenues for our state. With Ferries such as this operating all over the world, I have never heard of a whale being hit.

No one cares about Hawaii's environment more than I do, but some of the arguments being suggested by so-called environmentalists and ridiculous attempts to shut the ferry down.

If you feel as I do that the superferry should not be shut down by a vocal minority, please use your powers as elected representatives of the MAJORITY of the people to allow this service to proceed.

Mahalo

Bob Warren

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#### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Linda Wallace. I am submitting this testimony by email, as I live in California and won't be there to testify in person. I first visited your beautiful islands this past summer by cruise ship. I immediately fell in love with Hawaii and have already booked a trip for next summer. I have a fear of flying and it is going to take all I have to fly there. I was so impressed with the availability of an island shuttle, that that is why I booked this trip to be able to see more than one island and spend more than one day at each destination. Now that this island ferry is on hold, I'm not sure I want to keep my reservations. If cruise ships are allowed between islands, I don't see what the difference is between the cruise ships and ferrys. I wholeheartedly support this ferry plan and hope that it is allowed to operate.

Linda Wallace

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From:

Nora Crispe-Smith [noracrispesmith@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is NORA A. CRISPE-SMITH. My family and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry service will help reduce interisland transportation problems for the people of Maui, Kaui, Big Island and Oahu.

- It will provide the people another transportation alternative. It will help reduce cost of interisland transportation.
- It will help facilitate transfer of commodities from the other islands to Oahu and vice-versa and in the process help reduce cost of transporting them via air which reduces the cost of goods the citizens have to pay.
- It will help trade and commerce flourish.
- It will help Hawaii with more jobs for its people thus reducing unemployment rate
- It will help Hawaii grow and be progressive.

Thank you.

Nora A. Crispe-Smith

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From:

Ellen Osborne [osbornee001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:25 PM

To: Subject:

House Record Superferry Support

Hi, Legislators.

I am Ellen Osborne, I live in Nuuanu and have for 35 years. I support the Superferry for many reasons, the main reason being that it offers an alternate method of transportation to the outer islands, allows me to bring my car, and offers a smooth, relaxing ride. It is the best alternative to flying that I can imagine.

I also support the Superferry providing interisland transportation during the time it takes to muddle through all of the ridiculous environmental concerns.

By the way, who is really running things at the Capitol? Seems like the environmentalists some of the time and our elected officials some of the time, and nobody some of the time. Please take charge!! That's why you got elected.

Mahalo, Ellen

From:

Al & Kathleen Linton [als.islandgirls@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:25 PM

To:

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Subject:

We support the super ferry!

Aloha House Transportation and Finance Committee Members--

Mahalo for allowing our input.

Our family has been looking forward to the arrival of the Super Ferry to use for taking vacations to the outer islands.

The commercial glass construction company my husband owns would like a more affordable way of shipping the necessary construction vehicles crews to job site on the outer islands. This would make doing business on Kauai and Maui less expensive.

My daughter's scouting group has also been in hopes of using the super ferry as a means of getting all the girls on a trip.

We support the Super Ferry. It gives us affordable options. Please allow the Super Ferry to run!

Kathleen and Al Linton Kailua HI 96734

From: Sent: susie [susiesells@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:25 PM

To:

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Subject:

YES to the Superferry

I vote for the Superferry because I strongly believe that the Superferry will benefit so many of us.

I am very concerned that the environment be protected, but have always believed that here in Hawaii we love and cherish our Aina and would never do anything to harm it.

From:

Ella Umiamaka [eumiamaka@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:43 PM

To: Subject: House Record hawaii superferry

my name is eloise kuulei kuloloia umiamaka and i strongly

support hawaii superferry.

its good for the economy and good for the people of

hawaii (all islands).

if some of the people are saying its not good for the

environment (hurt our fish animals) what about young bros.ships, how about the tour ships that travel to the islands......they bring tourist and people, who knows

what they carry aboard these ships......

whats wrong with our people.....(most of them are newcomers to our islands) we have something that

can be enjoyed by everyone.....auwae

lets embrace this, NO PILIKIA

our islands are too special to be laughed at by the mainland people

me ke aloha pumehana

From:

Peniela Penniman [peniela@gmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:25 PM

Sent: To:

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### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Peniela Penniman and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I want the Hawaii Superferry to be successful and continue operating because it is an alternative to air travel and it connects the islands. This will increase travel and business to all the island, which is the main source of income for many people in the islands. I believe this is important for the economy and should be promoted, not stopped. I also believe it will not hurt the animals in the water any more than the Matson ships that come in from the mainland everyday, and no one is protesting those.

Thank you for your consideration,

Peniela Penniman PO Box 240293 Honolulu, HI 96824 (808) 330-2700

From:

Ronald Cole [konaron@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:25 PM

Sent: To:

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Subject:

superferry

#### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My reasons for supporting the Superferry are basic and simple, the Airlines, the shipping companies, and others have monopolized the methods of transporting for years.

When 911 happened we found ourselves stuck on our island with no way of getting to Oahu, or any other island. Many of us have to go to Oahu and Maui for medical reasons. The fares are high enough by air, but when the planes are told to sit on the tarmac, there is no way to go period.

The statements by the environmentalists are hogwash, and just a reason to make people think they are protecting the environment. None of the other means of transportation had to file an EIS, or make special arrangements to look for whales. How many cruise ships, and shippers have struck whales? Most incidents with Whales have been with hot rod private vessels. When the Sierra Club sends me another request for donations, they can just save their stamps.

This is a classic example of media hype on the part of organizations trying to justify thier existance by stirring up the local folk who probably wouldn't wouldn't have said a thing if they hadn't been goaded.

Ronald Cole

76-6283 Kololia Street Kailua-Kona, Hi 96740

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From:

Layna Torgerson [layna.torgerson@gmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:26 PM

Sent:

To:

House Record

Subject:

Superferry will help small businesses.

The Hawaii Superferry should be allowed to operate during the EIS. The State needs to protect it's investment. The Superferry will be useful to small businesses ON KAUAI.

WE SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY.

Layna Torgerson ET Services PO BOX 462 ANAHOLA, HI 808-652-1489

From: Sent:

Frank Kazmierczak [kazzak1@att.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:26 PM House Record Superferry

To:

Subject:

We are hoping that the Superferry will be in business in a few weeks when we need transportation from one island to another for our timeshares. We prefer not to fly.

The Kazs'

From: Sent: stasey lee [kananipuaala@gmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:26 PM

To:

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IN SUPPORT OF THE SUPERFERRY...IMUA!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is STASEY KANANIPUA'ALA LEE and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I FEEL THAT THE SUPERFERRY IS A GREAT IDEA OF LETTING PEOPLE VENTURE OUT TO THE DIFFERENT ISLANDS. NOT ONLY IS IT EASIER THAT WE GET TO TAKE OUR VEHICLES WITH US ON OUR TRIP, BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT ALLOWS MORE FREEDOM.

AS A SINGLE PARENT WITH TWO KIDS, AGES 2 YEARS AND 8 MONTHS, RIDING THE PLANE IS A RATHER HARD TASK. THEY CAN'T WALK AROUND OR PLAY. THEY NEED TO STAY SEATED AT ALL TIMES. AT LEAST WITH THE SUPERFERRY, THEY HAVE THOSE KIDDY AREAS AND TV'S AND FOOD TO KEEP THE KIDS AND ADULTS ENTERTAINED.

ANOTHER REASON IS SECURITY. AT AIRPORTS, I MUST MAKE MY TWO YEAR OLD WALK THROUGH SECURITY HER OWN SELF, AND BEING SHE DOESN'T KNOW THE PEOPLE SHE GIVES A HARD TIME. THEN HAVING TO PUT EVERYTHING THROUGH THE XRAY MACHINE IS ALSO DIFFICULT. JUGGLING MY BABY, MY TWO YEAR OLD, THEIR BAG, MY BAG AND ANYTHING ELSE CARRIED ON MAKES IT HARD. PEOPLE BEHIND NEED TO WAIT FOR A COUPLE MORE MINUTES THAN THOSE WITHOUT KIDS.

SO WITH THAT, I BELIEVE SUPERFERRY SHOULD BE ALLOWED. MORE FREEDOM, MORE CONVENIENT, AND BETTER FOR FAMILIES, LIKE MYSELF.

STASEY K. LEE 99-171 KOHOMUA ST. APT.E AIEA HI 96701 808-388-3165

From:

Gordon and Lee Ching [thechings@hawaii.rr.com]

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Lelaine Ching and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The state of Hawaii needs all the new businesses possible. I have already

been on the inaugural and it was wonderful. It just seems like anything good

that comes to Hawaii, the people that are protesting ruin it for everyone.

Why can't ALL OUR voices be heard over the 50 people that are objecting.

Take a stand and stand up for the people of Hawaii.

Lelaine Ching 7 Laimi Road 808-595-7712

From:

Barbara Speck [hawaiibarby@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:20 PM

Sent: To:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is , Barbara Speck, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

If we continue to allow cruise ships and other water vessels in our waters around the islands, we should certainly allow the SuperFerry to do business. This promotes much needed jobs and allows each island to share in the additional income generated by locals as well as visitors who use the ferry to travel from between the islands. Please consider all that can be positively effected by allowing the Ferry to do business here. The Big Island anxiously awaits it's arrival.

Barbara Speck PO Box 1358 Keaau, HI 96749 808-982-8272

Barbara Speck <a href="http://us.i1.yimg.com/us.yimg.com/i/mesg/tsmileys2/18.gif">http://us.i1.yimg.com/us.yimg.com/i/mesg/tsmileys2/18.gif</a> <a href="http://us.i1.yimg.com/us.yimg.com/i/mesg/tsmileys2/18.gif">hawaiibarby@yahoo.com</a> <a href="po box 1358">po box 1358</a> <a href="https://www.seau">Keaau</a>, HI 96749 <a href="https://www.seau">808-982-8272</a>

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Kim Springer [kimkeiko@hotmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:26 PM

Sent: To:

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#### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Kim Springer* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. We knew the Hawaii Superferry was going to be in operation from a long time ago. Since the State of Hawaii has already spent thousands of dollars on this project, I feel that the Superferry should be allowed to operate while the EIS is being conducted. Hundreds of families have already been impacted by the stopwork on the Superferry - both the employees and passengers. Although the Superferry will not dock in Hilo, my family members and I would welcome the opportunity to take our vehicles to neighbor islands to visit friends and family.

I would appreciate a "yes" vote for HB 1.

Mahalo for your time and support for the people of Hawaii.

Kim K. Springer 1722 Kaiao Street Hilo, HI 96720 959-2116

Climb to the top of the charts! Play Star Shuffle: the word scramble challenge with star power. <u>Play</u> Now!

From:

Ron Blanset [r.blanset@hawaiiantel.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:30 PM

Sent: To:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Ronald J. Blanset and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We need alternative personal and merchandise transport avoiding the monopoly that currently exists.

You must allow the interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while, and then after the environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Sincerely,

Ronald J. Blanset 163 Kaiulani Street Hilo, Hawaii 96720 (808) 935-4226

From: Sent:

susie [susiesells@hawaii.rr.com]

To:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is /Susan Hayter/ and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I vote for the Superferry because I strongly believe that the Superferry will benefit so many of us.

I am very concerned that the environment be protected, but have always believed that here in Hawaii we love and cherish our Aina and would never do anything to harm it. //

/Susan Hayter 6710 Hawaii Kai Drive #202 258-3681/

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From:

J Tamanaha [jat.aiea@hawaiiantel.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:27 PM

Sent: To:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I don't really understand the implications of Sec. 343 of the HRS, nor do I possess the technical knowledge to judge possible environmental problems, but I do know that the super ferry is good for Hawaii.

Families will be able to see each other, sport teams will be able to travel much less expensively, the list goes on and on.

I hope that you will see this benefit and work to craft legislation which will allow the super ferry to sail while any environmental studies are undertaken. After all, it was the State Dept. of Transportation that gave the super ferry the go ahead signal.

Thank you in advance for your favorable action on this issue.

Judith Tamanaha 99-135 Ohiakea St. Aiea, Hawaii 96701 488-1717

From: Sent: Kim Allin [kim\_allin@hotmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:26 PM

To:

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### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Kim Allin and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I was born and raised in Honolulu, Hawaii and feel the addition of the SuperFerry would benefit the Hawaiian Islands.

As a local resident, I feel I would travel to the other islands more frequently if the SuperFerry were in operation. I would prefer the SuperFerry to air travel so I could bring my car with me. While this may have a small impact to the local air carriers, it would have a net positive to the islands as I would likely spend more vacation time here. Currently, I spend more of my time off on the Mainland as the cost of going to the outer islands increases significantly when a car rental is required.

While there may be some impact to the airlines, the need to travel quickly will always be there. People will continue to use air travel because it is faster and many business people require short travel times.

I hope the SuperFerry is allowed to operate.

Regards, Kim Allin

1452 Kamole Street Honolulu, HI 96821 808.224.2191

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From: Sent:

fabian schloesser [schloess@hawaii.edu] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:28 PM

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Fabian Schloesser and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I think it will be beneficial to the Hawaiian people to have a ferry as an option for inter island transportation.

I also think that also from an environmental point of view there are arguments for the ferry, since a ferry is much more fuel-efficient than a plane.

Sincerely, Fabian Schloesser

615 Isenberg St,. Apt. 0 Honolulu, HI 96826 phone: (808)9566895

From:

Jolynn Downey [jolynn.downey@dhx.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:26 PM

To: Subject: House Record
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Jo-Lynn H. Downey and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Super Ferry will help to support our economy not only in the tourist industry but also for us as a people with job opportunities. It also gives us another means of transportation besides air. The Super Ferry is good for individuals as well as businesses.

Let's not keep putting obstacles in the way of progress (look at what happened with H3, years of being held up but finally built but at triple the cost). Change is coming whether we like it or not. Does it depend on who has the BIG BUCKS to decide on whether it's yea or nay?

Jo-Lynn H. Downey 703 N. Nimitz Highway 841-7311

From:

heidi@nahoku.com

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:28 PM

To:

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Subject:

Support of Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Heidi Gygax and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I have been looking forward to the sailing of the Hawaii Superferry so more of our Hawaii residents, myself and family included, may enjoy the beauty of all of our islands. This new connection between our islands will stimulate the economy for everyone, with more Oahu residents going to neighbor islands for family getaways and more neighbor island residents coming to Oahu for shopping.

Regards,

Heidi J. Gygax General Merchandising Manager Na Hoku, Inc.

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From: Sent: Norm Hirai [nonmihi@sbcglobal.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:22 PM

To: Subject: House Record Super Ferry

This is just a note from a Northern California born and raised in Hawaii to support the Super Ferry. Many other places like the states of Washington and the Bay Area have ferry systems and face the issues regarding safe guarding sea life and the environment. It's to the benefit of Hawaii to have the Super Ferry to further increase commerce and to help develop another way to transport people for business or family reasons. Let there be support for sea life and the environment and let there be a way to improve commerce and the ability for families to get together.

Norm Hirai nonmihi@sbcglobal.net

From:

dyt96744@aol.com

Sent: To: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:29 PM

Subject:

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### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Denis Tanigawa and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I feel it is time for Hawaii to step forward into the 21st century and allow the Superferry to begin service for all the people of Hawaii. In one way or another, I believe in the long run the ferry will benefit everyone.

Just as the H-3 highway was strongly opposed no doubt by some of these same protesters, the H-3 has meant a great deal to those who traverse the Koolaus. This viaduct has greatly reduced drive time from the windward side to the leeward side and it has reduced traffic on both the Likelike and Pali Hwys during the rush hours in the morning and evening. I'd bet that those protestors of yesterday make use of that roadway whether they would admit it or not.

The benefits of the Superferry might not seem so obvious right now but we need a variety of ways to allow freer mobility for the peoples of these islands. I do not believe that a couple more ships on the seas will adversely affect the health and safety or the migration of the great whales that spend time in our waters. With proper safeguards in place like those enforced with the airlines, I do believe the Superferry can be successful and help Hawaii's people. Please reconsider allowing this valuable means of transport to at least get started. What would Hawaii be like if the nearsighted individuals had banned air travel to these islands so long ago? We have to keep moving forward.

Aloha,

Denis Y. Tanigawa

45-395 Koiawe Way

From:

Globalphx@aol.com

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:29 PM

To: Subject: House Record Pro Superferry

As a construction worker that would greatly appreciate being able to take my truck with tools to the outer Islands for work, I am all for the Superferry. I was on the maiden voyage to Maui and found the Superferry to be a first class vehicle and I think it would be a big plus for the State of Hawaii and to tourism.

Tom Heinrich 98-701 Iho Pl. #5-1402 Aiea, Hawaii 96819 741 8324

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From:

Charla Leahey-Bucsit [ashaye@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:29 PM

To:

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Charla Leahey-Bucsit

Subject:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Charla D. Leahey-Bucsit and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Superferry because I feel that it give island residents another option to visit the neighboring Islands. Even though I have benefits that allow me to fly to Neighbor islands for free (non-rev), I would use the Superferry because I can take my personal car to visit my sister on the Big Island, or go to one of my son's baseball tournament, and I would be able to bring all of his gear with us. I am not worried about the so called damage the ferry would cause the environment. I am sad that a few hundred "environmentalist" are stopping something that the MAJORITY of the people of Hawaii want. Please allow the Superferry to run, and give back the jobs to the Superferry Employees!!!! I normally don't get involved with these types of issues, but I felt it was my duty to state my opinion....and also please remember that I have a voice too!!!! I will remember the outcome when I cast my vote at the next election day!!!!

Charla Leahey-Bucsit 94-1056 Oli Loop, Waipahu HI 96797 808-676-6633

From: Sent:

Carolyn Vanoven [vanpig@msn.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:23 PM House Record

To:

Subject:

Super Ferry

How about letting somebody besides Young Brothers have a piece of the cake. The Super Ferry is the best thing to happen to Hawaii in many years. I fully support it.

Carolyn Vanoven

From: Sent: Ishihara, Lynn [lishihara1@honolulu.gov] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:30 PM

To:

House Record

Subject:

SUPPORTER OF SUPERFERRY

#### Gentlemen:

Thank you very much for working hard to get super ferry project.

I was waiting for somebody to take an initiative to get super ferry going.

I'm sorry that I was not the one.

I think super ferry is for the people of Hawaii especially for the outer island residents.

The airfare is very expensive.

The super ferry is for the non wealthy people, big family, elderly, handicapped people,

farmers, etc.

They have more plus than minus.

It only travels once or twice a day.

When "INIKI" hit Kauai, they are crying for help, and lots of people on every island helped.

When an earth quack hit Big Island, they have been waiting for help from anybody from the other island, and we have been helping them by flying over to drop some money or providing man power.

 $\bar{\text{We}}$  can do more if the super ferry start going to the island.

There are lots of relative lives all over the island. It is very costly to back and forth the island right now.

If the super ferry start to go, you can visit them more often.

On the outer islands, there are no big hospitals. They have to fly to Oahu to go to the hospital. The hospitalization is very costly too, if you can take your own car, it will cut some cost to you.

You can visit your parents, your grand parents, aunty, uncle, etc more often. Isn't this wonderful.

We pay such a high cost to our daily living. If the farmers can bring the vegetable, fruits, milk, etc. with a less cost, we will save our money too.

I notice that people protesting for super ferry to not operate are outsiders. Most of them are not native to the island but outsiders. (mostly haole)

I hope the super ferry start operate in the near future.

Once again, thank you very much for working hard for us.

From: Sent:

sharon landry [slandry@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:31 PM

To:

House Record

Subject:

re: Landry testimony

**Sharon Landry** 

15-2693 Lalakea St.

Pahoa, Hi 96778

I and everyone I've spoken with about the superferry is in great support of it. If the other islands don't want it there, we on the Big Island would be honored to have it start here. There are way worse things in our waters. It would make such a difference in the lives of the people living here to have the opportunity to use the ferry and the freedom of travel by choice.

From: Sent:

Betty Lee [babygirlkiani@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:24 PM

To: Subject: House Record super ferry testimony

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Betty Hao Shan Lee and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe that only positivity can grow from it's operations. I believe that it will help local businesses such as our contractors who frequently go to neighbor islands for jobs. I believe that it will only help bridge gaps in families and friends. I believe that now is the time for our neighbor island communities to support one another in furthering our growth and making us stronger and bring us much more cohesion as a state.

Now is the time, more than ever to emphasize family and friendship for our future generations. I believe that the SF can help us facilitate this need.

I am in the design/construction business. I can only imagine how much easier it will be for myself and all of my contractor friends when we need to get to Maui, or the Big Island and carry large pieces of furniture or stone and not have to worry about it arriving damaged in a container somewhere.

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider my testimony.

Betty Lee 808.479.6145 1296 Kapiolani Blvd #2009 Honolulu, HI 96814

From:

Larry L. Anderson [landerson@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:31 PM

To:

House Record

Subject:

Super Ferry House testimony

#### Aloha,

I am a business counselor with over fifty business clients that I am involved with doing business counseling regarding their tax and operational functions. As I have been talking to them, they often mention how having the ferry would allow them to expand their business presence around the state. For example they could easily move service trucks around in a very timely fashion to position resources at a very economical cost. Even, the repair of an outer island positioned truck could now be moved back to the home base to be serviced, repaired, etc.

The point is that we really can not foretell the very positive business impact this will have.

No one I talked to believes the Ferry will be irresponsible with the Whales safety.

I also believe if the Ferry is subject to unreasonable environment constraints, these same constraints will have to apply to all forms of inter island transportation.

I can not appear at the hearing.

Sincerely, Larry L. Anderson

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From:

Sunny Crowley [sunny@a-natural-choice.net]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:59 PM

To:

House Testimony

Subject:

Small business owner needs the ferry

Aloha! I am a small business owner here in Hawaii. I have lived here for 33 years. As a Natural Products Broker, my job is to visit my store buyers each month, on most of the islands. With all the high security and airline restrictions, my work has been forced to change.

It takes excessive time and process, to fly. I cannot take more than 50 lbs per bag in weight, which often limits my work load. I have to take samples, some being liquids: juices, oils, etc, and just packing those to be thrown around by baggage takes a long time, and occasional accidents occur.

I need the Super Ferry to be able to drive my samples and heavy paperwork, to my accounts, each month.

Hawaii should support us tax payers who vote and participate, and not be pressured by surfers on Kauai, or those on outer Islands that are not doing their research, but rather causing delays for emotional reasons.

I consider myself an environmentalist, but clearly have a difference of opinion on the Super Ferry, as do many others.

Please support the Super Ferry!

Sunny Crowley
A Natural Choice
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To: Subject:

I cannot come to the meeting.

Sunny

From:

Keialohalani@aol.com

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:32 PM

To: Subject:

House Record Super Ferry

Dear State Senate,

I believe that the Super Ferry should be allowed to transport passengers to and from the Hawaiian Islands. If we, the citizens of Hawaii were to have a major disaster on one of the islands, we have no means of getting off of the island except by airplane. If we have another mean of transportation, we could at least use it to bring or take emergency supplies or help the seriously injured get to another island to receive medical attention. Please rethink your decision, we need this form of transportation. Think about the people who are losing their jobs, think about the people who's life could be saved if there's ever an emergency.

Mahalo, Diane Styles ladykiane1@aol.com

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From:

tak370@aol.com

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:32 PM

To:

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Subject:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Jean D. Takaki, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

To me this superferry would benefit many of the people of the outer islands, insofar as traveling to and from Honolulu to visit specialist doctors, do business, etc. With the way the air fares have been going, we don't know from one day to the next what it will cost us to travel by plane. Add to that car rentals (where necessary). I just believe that it would be a good thing to have the superferry service our islan

Sincerely,

Jean D. Takaki

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From:

Thekoenes@cs.com

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:27 PM

To: Subject: House Record Superferry

Someone at the Kauai meeting on October 21, 2007 asked our Senators to remember the minority. I have visited and/or lived in a few countries where the minority ruled. They were the People's Republic of China, Vietnam and Cuba. While we must listen to all citizens, in the end the majority rules. I have ridden ferries all over the world and have yet to strike a whale or heard that it encourages criminals and spreads undesirable elements. It is a very nice way to travel, especially for clubs and large families. Please do right by the people of Hawaii and let the Superferry sail.

Ada Koene Koloa 96756

From:

Lin Uzzel [linuz@msn.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:31 PM

To: Subject:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Lin Uzzel and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As a resident of the island of Hawaii I see a need for alternative forms of transportation between the islands. Inter-Island ferry travel would allow me to more conveniently travel to Oahu to see family and expand the service area of the company I work for.

Lin Uzzel 66-1677 Kawaihae Rd Kamuela, Hi 96743 808-960-4879

Help yourself to FREE treats served up daily at the Messenger Café. Stop by today!

From: Sent:

Markster [markster96816@gmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:32 PM

To:

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Cc:

HawaiiSuperFerry@hawaiisuperferry.com

Subject:

SuperFerry MUST Sail!

Sensitivity:

Personal

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#### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mark Webster and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The doctrine of fairness is not being applied to the SuperFerry. Our laws are supposed to be the same for black or white, rich or poor, male or female, etc., but the SuperFerry is being discriminated against in the courts. If they have to cease operations while an Environmental Impact Statement or an Environmental Assessment is completed, so should all of the other inter-island businesses! Why is the SuperFerry the only one that has to submit an EIS or EA and not operate until it is done? It's just not fair!

I support a special session of the Hawaii State Legislature to identify a solution that would enable Hawaii SuperFerry to continue operations while the EA is being conducted.

The people of Hawaii want inter-island transportation choices. Hawaii SuperFerry is a transportation alternative that is wanted and needed by residents and businesses of Hawaii and will bring many benefits to our state. It's unbelievable that we're still the only archipelago in the world without a ferry system.

(Last month I was in Alaska. The Alaska Marine-Highway Ferries have been traversing Alaska's fjords and channels for many, many years with the very same whales that visit Hawaii every year.)

**Prompt action** is needed to save this transportation option and protect Hawaii 's business climate. This fiasco is already getting world-wide publicity.

To have authorized the Super Ferry to go ahead with their plans, saying that no EIS was necessary, spending all that money on the harbor infrastructure and then, at the last minute, allowing ONE MAN on Maui to put a stop to everything a few days before service was to start is unconscionable. Then, to allow a gang of ragtag protesters on Kauai to interfere with commerce in a Federal waterway, without arresting and charging them with obstruction, not to mention threatening passengers and damaging innocent people's vehicles, is monstrous. Minority rule is not democracy!

If you people don't do the right thing and let the Hawaii SuperFerry operate ASAP as planned—profitably in accordance with their business plan—I hope that they will rightfully seek redress by suing

the State for all of the financial distress you and our bungling, vacillating Supreme Court have caused it, even though I, as a taxpayer, will wind up paying the bill for your collective obstruction to progress.

Mark Webster

4126 Keanu Street

Honolulu 96816

734-5994

From:

Whiting Hyland [hylandw001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:35 PM

To: Subject: House Record Super ferry

I would like to put in a few words for the super ferry.

I believe the anti ferry sentiment is driven by industries that stand to lose revenue if it allowed to bring service to the islands. These are: 1.the airlines that are already under attack from Mesa Air Group. 2. Young Brothers and the stevedores who hold a monopoly on inter-island transport of vehicles. 3. Car rental business who would see revenues fall because they won't be renting to Kamaainas when visiting friends and family. Re-renting to tourists who visit multiple islands during their visits ,IE new contracts each time they change island.

The environmental issue is being floated by these industries through channels as the excuse.

1. The airlines stand to lose a lot of local revenue as they are the only way to get to a neighbor island. This is an ongoing monopoly that only recently has had outside competition from Mesa. Before Mesa we had to go with either Aloha or Hawaiian and their prices made going to Las Vegas a cheaper venue than going to Molokai for the weekend!

2. Young Brothers and the stevedores do not wash the vehicles it transports and never has. It ships heavy equipment, bulldozers, backhoes and trenching equipment, that was previously used in the brush and would be most likely to bring invasive species for years. This damage, if it is to be believed, has already occurred for YEARS!

3. The car rental agencies are the only way a local family can get around if they travel to a neighbor island. They stand

to lose much of their business to the local contingent if the ferry gets approved.

While on a recent fishing trip on the North side of Molokai I saw the ferry go by on it's way to Maui and back. It traveled in water between 500 and 1000 FATHOMS, which is roughly a half of a mile to a mile deep! My 30 years of experience on the water has shown that whales prefer water in the 25 to 40 fathom range, 150 to 250 feet, occasionally going deeper when going from island to island.

If the ferry operated I would not be making an impact on the rush hour traffic on any island as I would be on vacation. I

get enough of that all year going to work! I would choose to drive during off peak hours just to avoid it.

In conclusion I would ask the government to look into where the environmentalist lawyers money comes from. I always want to see that. Lawyers aren't cheap and don't usually work pro bono. Money talks and if I were the gambling type I would lay odds on money coming through channels to these attorneys. Money talks just ask the guys fighting the Turtle Bay expansion. They send me fund raising notices all the time!

Thanks for letting me sound off.

Sincerely Whiting Hyland 649 Ululani St Kailua Hi 96816

PS I wanted to take my boat and camping gear to a neighbor island and fish for a week. Having no commercial license to sell the fish, my plan was to give it away to friends and fellow campers on the island when they came down to visit me at my campsite. Signed Haole with Aloha!

From: Sent:

Joe [josephschmitz@hotmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:35 PM

To:

House Record

I am in high support of the super ferry. How can any business hope to stay afloat with zero income for so many months while some irrelevant report is conducted, which obviously has singled out the super ferry. We can't make our state a joke to the business community and that is what this is doing. Our economy relies on our business relationships with Japan, U.S. mainland etc. Also the super ferry is a great thing to have for the people of Hawaii. If we force the super ferry to leave now another opportunity like this for Hawaii won't present itself for a life time due to this incident. Please don't deny us all the opportunity to enjoy such a great thing. Thank you for your time.

Kenneth J. Schmitz III

(808) 783-5815

94-1095 Anania Circle #2

Mililani HI 96789

From:

roootz66@aol.com

Sent:

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To:

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Subject:

Support the Hawaii Superferry

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### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Corina Seguerre and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry is an excellent alternative to travel to the neighbor islands. It provides job opportunities, income for the state and allows travelers to use their own vehicle without having to deal with the cost of car rentals. If many local residents are excited to utilize this exciting means of travel between the islands, I'm sure tourists will also take advantage of seeing the island's beauty along the coasts. Please allow the Superferry to travel between the islands and give what the people of Hawaii wants for a change.

CORINA R SEGUERRE 2424 North School STreet Honolulu, HI 96819 808-845-6771

Email and AIM finally together. You've gotta check out free AOL Mail!

From:

David Gafford [david.gafford@davidgafford.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:27 PM

To:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is David S. Gafford and I support Hawaii Superferry.

While I am concerned about the fragile ecosystem of Hawai'i, I believe that the Hawaii Superferry provides a viable and alternate means of traveling between the islands and that the current environmental position against the Superferry is ill-informed, misguided, and over-zealous.

David S. Gafford

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Hilo, HI 96720

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From:

Dana Moss [res1z0vb@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: To: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:34 PM House Record

Subject:

SuperFerry

Aloha House members,

The blessings of the technology that has come about to allow us to travel inter island via the ocean is a blessing that we can't just let it slip though our fingers. What a great way to allow our youth to have there first experience of traveling on the ocean. There is no other means of commercial travel by ocean for us in Hawaii that allows you the freedom to stay more than 12 hours in any port other than the Super Ferry.

Yahetay - From My Heart

Dana Moss

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From:

Jennifer L. Vogele [jvogele@mauimedical.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:33 PM

To:

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Subject:

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#### **TESTIMONY FOR-**

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#### To Whom It May Concern:

I hope you can join me in supporting the Hawaii Superferry. I have been a resident of Maui all my life and I am asking you to support the Hawaii Superferry and allow them to operate their business as planned while final studies are still being done.

I find it unfair and suspicious to single out the Superferry for special impact statements and have to question what business would have the power to coerce such controversy at the last minute. The Superferry is a benefit for all of Hawaii's residents and local businesses by adding choice to our inter-island mode of transportation, shipping and travel/vacation options. It's unfortunate that something that should bring the islands together and finally function as one state has caused such controversy.

Please support new businesses in Hawaii. It's about time Hawaii made some transportation progress.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Akiona Vogele

**Maui County**