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Subject: Hawaii Superferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance
DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION Requires the Department of Transportation to perform an environmental impact statement (EIS) for certain improvements made to commercial harbors. Permits operation of large capacity ferry vessel company prior to completion of EIS upon meeting certain minimum conditions. Establishes a temporary Hawaii Inter-island Ferry Oversight Task Force.

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is John Agno and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry and I truly believe that they should be allowed to operate while the EIS is proceeding..

I truly believe that the Hawaii Superferry is no different that any other mode of interisland transportation. It would be good thing for Hawaii's business, economy, trade, commerce and tourism. Hawaii has been long overdue for a different type or mode of transportation between the islands of our state. Not to mention that it is technology at its best.

The Hawaii Superferry will be much more convenient for Hawaii's ohanas to visit each other. It will also allow many of our ohana to just drive onboard the Hawaii Superferry and transport their loved ones to Oahu to obtain further medical treatment at Oahu's prominent and excellent medical facilities. It would prevent the hassles of getting on a plane, getting a car rental and then reversing the process upon their return trip.

Assisting an ill or injured family member to travel for medical treatment is a task in itself and the Hawaii Superferry will make that task a lot easier. The Hawaii Superferry will provide one less worry for those in need of medical treatment.

Overcrowding the neighbor islands should not even be a concern as I am quite sure that the other islands has more open areas than Oahu. Too much vehicle traffic? As with the progress of any civilization on earth, the building of infrastructure would be according to growth.

As far as the Hawaii Superferry cons go, I truly believe that all of the bad things that the environmentalists have mentioned has already been happening even with the current modes of transportation. Who's to say that invasive species are not being transported via plane, cruise ships, private boats, canoes or containers being shipped to the neighbor islands. As far as the protected species are concerned, I'm quite sure that the pilots, or Captains, of the Hawaii Superferry will ensure that they will not endanger anything or anyone within our surrounding waters. Environmentalists worry about one or two Hawaii Superferry but what about all of the other private and military ships and boats that ply our surrounding waters? If it were true, about the whale collisions, then shouldn't whale collisions be happening more often, already?

In closing, I am 100% for the Hawaii Superferry and any other mode of transportation that would bring improvement and prosperity to our land of "ALOHA." Oh Yes! I guess many of our protestors have forgotten the term "ALOHA!"

Nothing ever remains the same, and that is reality! People forget that progress and inventiveness has brought us to where we are today.....The Beautiful and Wonderful State of Hawaii!

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HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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October 23, 2007

Honorable Joe Souki, Chair
House Committee on Transportation
Honorable Marcus Oshiro, Chair
House Committee on Finance
Hawaii State House
Honolulu, HI

RE: HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

Dear Representatives Souki and Oshiro:

I am writing in support of legislation that would permit the Superferry to operate while the State prepares an Environmental Impact Statement. I have read the proposed Bill and support it.

I have also read the 29 conditions proposed by Isaac Hall. I find them reprehensible and arrogant. Many of the conditions violate personal privacy rights. Many suggest that the right of free movement by individuals should be restricted. I support none of the conditions.

What I find worst of all is that Hall has singled out one business for "super screening" while other businesses that have created problems of invasive species go totally unchecked and have for years. The coqui frog and the stinging caterpillar did not arrive on Maui via the Superferry. Neither did the many alien species plants. Those arrived by the uninspected containers brought to Maui by Young Brothers. Which brings to mind a huge question as to the real motivation of Maui Tomorrow, Sierra Club, etal.

The whale issue has been blow out of proportion. We all want to protect the whales. However, the impact of whale watching boats to the whales is a greater threat than the Superferry. I have read several scientific studies by NOA and those reveal a high incident of damage to whales by whale watching craft. Coast Guard records in Alaska show no whale strikes by ferries and over a period of four years only one whale strike and that was by a cruise ship! Our whales reside in this area of Alaska most of the year!

Superferry already has a reasonable plan for protecting the whales.

For your information, I have prepared a chart, which makes a comparison between Superferry and other Maui harbor users. While simple, it does address many of the issues. I did this research on my own and spoke directly with various departments.

The Superferry organization did what it was directed to do. It was told that no EIS was necessary. Now, a legitimate business providing a legitimate service to the people of Hawaii has been stopped, for no fault of their own. The Court has seen fit to make a different interpretation of the law and now, the Legislature, exercising its power of checks and balances, has an opportunity to right that wrong.

Superferry has made good rules to protect the environment. I urge you to support good corporate

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behavior and allow the Superferry to start this much-needed service.

By the way, I did not attend the local hearing held on Maui. I have attended many of the hearings and found that the behavior of the Superferry opponents to be rude and intimidating to any speaker expressing support. The last meeting held here by Senator English and Tsutsui was the worst.

I urge you to pass this proposed legislation without modification. Allow the Superferry to begin operation while the EIS proceeds. To do anything less, or to place burdensome conditions, would be unfair.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Madge Schaefer

See Attachment Below



HAWAII SUPERFERRY USERS	MAUI HARBOR
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Prepared by Madge Schaefer

Whale Avoidance Plan include two add'l on-board observers during whale season. Plan received support of Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Committee.

Cruise ships, freighters, barges-None
Per DOT "Not asked or required"

Whale Season route changes will minimize whale sanctuary travel

No seasonal route changes except Matson which travels north of Molokai during whale season. Cruise ships travel right thru sanctuary.

Superferry design (catamaran) limits contact with water. No propellers

Conventional ships and barges have greater mass in water. Conventional propellers.

Dock Time will be approximately one hour a day

Most ships are docked for at least 12 hours

Invasive Species inspections will require that vehicles are clean and cargo rules will require certified crops

No requirements for clean vehicles
 No inspections except for produce, cut flowers and Christmas trees. When time, vehicles from Matson and CSX inspected.
 No inspections for Young Bros vehicle cargo.

Invasive Species Representative has a role in the planning of Superferry

Program to “raise awareness” of invasive species begins in April 2006. No demand for inspections.

Invasive species carried interisland

Passengers are typically a low risk pathway.

No cruise passenger inspections.

EIS not required by federal government, State of Hawaii Department of Transportation for Superferry. DOT decision was reviewed by State Office of Environmental Quality Control which affirmed no EIS. County of Maui has no jurisdiction to require EIS. Lawsuit Judges (both State and Federal) have ruled that no EIS is required. Judge Cardoza ruled that the DOT complied with state law when planning harbor improvements to accommodate Superferry. In any case, Hawaii Superferry would not have to do an EIS, as DOT is providing barge. This info as of 4/2006.

Past Expansion of port activities did not require an EIS. Despite dramatic growth, no demands for EIS nor any lawsuits filed.

Recreational user impacts will be minimized because limited duration times to that Superferry will be in port.

Homeland Security sets rules for all harbor users. Security Plan to be submitted

Coast Guard by Superferry

Canoe Regattas may be stopped enters harbor.

Canoe regattas are currently stopped when Superferry

when ships enter or leave harbor

These regattas take place **4 days** a year at Kahului harbor.

Traffic study will determine final Traffic study underway And will be released after DOT approval.

No traffic studies/ mitigation measures mitigation. by current users including cruise ships
 No study for new YB ship 500+ vehicles

Traffic generated from Superferry will be at off peak hours—late morning. long. Schedule is being reviewed for

Traffic, including heavy trucks carrying containers, is generated all day

Young Bros ship JeanAnn can carry

earlier mid morning times.

500 + vehicles.

Traffic will be intensified at Intersections near Superferry

Traffic is also intensified for short times at canoe club events, cruise ship arrivals, Maui Arts & Cultural Center Events

Illegal drug trafficking -working with local law enforcement for plan

No inspections

Campers/fishermen will bring invasive species to Maui

No special inspection at port(or airport) of sports equipment

Formal operating agreement between Superferry and State

No formal operating agreements
"Gentlemen's Agreement" for space allocation. Do operate under tariff.

Sewage disposal—Superferry will pump all to sewage treatment plant in Honolulu

Dumping permitted 3 nautical miles from shore

Cheaper transportation inter-island

Rates have risen steadily for cargo.
Oct. 22, 2007, LCL rates went up 15%.

Cheaper transportation for passengers

Airline fares have risen so high to be cost prohibitive to many families

Superferry has held public hearings

Twenty two(22) public hearings have been held across the state. Seven(7) hearings on Maui plus one held by Senators English and Tsutsui.

Additional Information

Whale Strikes

Investigating whale strikes in Alaska in Juneau area, where there are a large number of ferries operating, I spoke with Lt. Jensen (808) 873-3104/873-3105 of the US Coast Guard Station Maui. Lt Jensen spent four years (2001-2005) based with Coast Guard in Juneau, Alaska. Humpback whales feed in this area most of the year. He inspected ferries including the high-speed ferry. Ferries used prudent navigation, which included an observer on the bridge watching for debris and marine mammals. Lt Jensen reported that during those four years there was no report of marine mammal strikes by ferries. There was one report of a cruise ship striking a whale.

More Alien Species Stuff

Carol Okata at Dept of Agriculture advised that vehicles arriving in Kahului Harbor on Matson and CSX are inspected as time permits. Young Brothers vehicle cargo is not subject to any inspection. DOA is currently preparing a risk assessment study for all the harbors in the state including Kahului.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Tracy Owens and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. There are many employment opportunities for the people of Hawaii, it would sincerely be a great opportunity for disabled people to be able to travel to the outer islands and for people who are frightened of flying or for emergency evacuation purposes, i.e, fire, and for my husband and I to have the choice of flying or to use the ferry to have a littly vacation on the outer islands that we love so much. I sincerely believe we will all loose if the ferry service is not allowed to run.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Donna Hamai and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Superferry as an alternative transportation between our islands. People forget how expensive air travel was between the islands before Go entered the market.

Go may not be around in the next year or so and both Hawaiian Airlines and Aloha Airlines have already said when Go is gone their fares will go up to past levels or higher.

I believe the people of Hawaii need alternative means of transportation to come and go between our islands and the majority of our population supports the Superferry. It is very sad that a very VOCAL MINORITY of our population is trying to spoil things for the SILENT MAJORITY.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Super Ferry

Dear Chairs Oshiro and Souki:

I often have to travel from Island to Island to visit properties that I own or my extended family. I find it tremendously inconvenient to use air travel when I could be using the Super Ferry to have my own transportation and ability to transport personal items safely and reliably.

I strongly support HB 1 and ask that you do as well.

Thank you,

Larry Kriwanek

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Bobbie Jean Au and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry would be a GREAT asset to the people in the State of Hawaii for various reasons. Transport people, vehicles and equipment to provide First-Aid in times of disaster-tidal wave, hurricane, fire, even a multi vehicle accident that brings traffic to a standstill and there is no other way to get to that point except by air.

Provide an alternative type of transportation for those who are afraid to fly, physically handicap, and/or obese.

Provide business, agriculture, tourism, etc. a better way to transport their items and people for improving our economy.

Gives families and friends a time to be together on board to enjoy each other and appreciate the beautiful scenery and ocean environment.

These are just a few of the many GOOD reasons why we should have the Hawaii Superferry. We are lacking and behind when it comes to transportation. Look at the other cities and countries that have better and more types of transportation such as monorail, bullet trains, etc.

It would be a great lost if we do NOT have this Hawaii Superferry for the State of Hawaii.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *David Kline* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am saddened and embarrassed by the Houses lack of fortitude in honoring their previous decisions and support of the Hawaii Superferry.

Notwithstanding, as elected officials you pledge to represent the majority; not the most boisterous. I simply ask that you re-assess your role as an elected official and speak for the majority of the State's population who support the uninterrupted operation of the Hawaii Superferry.

Political maneuvering provides no value to the people of this State, and is a dishonor to both the democratic process and the represented integrity of your respective campaigns. I ask for your courage and leadership in supporting the majority of the State's taxpayers by honoring the peoples' position, as well as maintaining the multitude of previous State rulings and investments which were fully governed by the positive and beneficial impacts of the Hawaii Superferry.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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NOTE: I do NOT plan to submit in-person comments.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Karyn B Clay and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I care for older adults, and their family members have expressed appreciation towards another option for inter-island travel that does not require going through the challenge of security and boarding a plane...especially for those in wheelchairs.

I also feel it is critical for the population of this state to have an alternative mode of inter-island transportation as well.

Karyn B. Clay

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Sleiman Kamal Salibi* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am a 27 year resident of Kauai. I think the Superferry is good for Hawaii. I wish we had it when my children were going to school on Oahu and Big island, and the airfares were up close to \$200.00. We already have cockis on Kauai, and traffic is getting worse because of poorly planned development. As a long time boater and captain on Kauai, I beleive the whales will adapt to one more boat. Let's save time and money planning for better roads, parks, bike paths, etc. let the Ferry sail asap. Thank you for considering this testimony.

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House Record

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Aloha Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Dennis T. Ryan and I support Hawaii Superferry with few reservations.

Putting aside for a moment that Gov. Lindle and her administration made a mistake from the outset in handling the possible environmental concerns from the project, I strongly believe that Superferry will improve life in Hawaii for residents by offering a viable alternative for island to island transportation and the convenience of bringing one's vehicle.

Most disturbing about the opposition to the project has been neighbor island residents stance of localism. I resent deeply their attitude that somehow Oahu residents will contaminate their isiland, crowd their roads, impact the beauty, and over run their surfing spots, etc. What they are promoting is akin to a gated community with restrictions on who, what, how and where others can visit.

Shame on them.

I am a travel writer for several major national and international travel magazines and my editors are baffled by not just the outcry but the nastiness of the opposition. Once again I have heard the term plantation mentality.

Perhaps there should be some speed restrictions to protect marine mammals until we know for certain whether there is a real danger here. (No Orcas have ever been hit in the Puget Sound area of Washington state by the ferries operating there.)

You have been put in a very difficult situation but please stand firm for what is right and not kowtow to distasteful and mostly ignorant rhetoric.

Do Hawaii residents have a right to visit a neighbor island by ferry and bring their

vehicles; or do any islands' residents usurp that right to keep people out of a place just because they want to maintain a lifestyle or perceived threat?

Please be strong and allow the Superferry to sail.

Dennis Ryan

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House Record

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To Whom It May Concern:

I support the SupperFerry and can't wait for the day that me and my family can enjoy a boat ride to the neighbor islands (along with our car) to visit our friends, relatives and do our part of helping the economy of our friendly neighbor islands.

Sincerely,

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Rose O'Connor* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Setting aside all hypocrisy on this matter, you, the House has a responsibility of fulfilling your commitment to ALL Hawaii residents. Many of us including those in our State Government, **endorsed, supported and approved** the entry of the Hawaii Superferry into our islands. A lot of time, money and man hours made this event come to fruition for the benefit of ALL Hawaii residents, both on Oahu and our neighbor islands.

A precedent of who has priority on the environmental "food chain of life" is without question, human beings.

We are your constituents, we are your voters, we are your tax payers who keep all of you in office. The oceans, whales and fish of the sea are not your voters nor constituents. They do not pay you to remain in office. It is the people of Hawaii who trust you to protect and serve us **first and foremost**. I find it absurd that for all the transportation we have in our islands, aircraft, boating and vehicles, both commercial and private which all offer a means of transportation; do not we all pollute at some level? Utilizing the same fuels, routes and man-made 'energies' both in the air and sea and on land. Why is it that an environmental assessment would be *single out* only for the Hawaii Superferry? The hypocrisy must end. For pointing fingers only exposes your own shortcomings. The Hawaii Superferry is here. It is a great and viable alternative form of transportation and for conducting business for many of us. It will provide jobs to many and allow those who could not fly for medical reasons and fear to finally have a means of travelling from one island to another.

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I ask that you support the Hawaii Superferry, absent of pointing fingers at the DOT and the Lingle Administration.

Pettiness and blaming *never* produces a successful economy and a cohesive community. Put the Hawaii

Superferry back into business. -- Mahalo~

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From: Paul Tyksinski [ptyksin@hawaii.rr.com]
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Honorable House Members,

One day I would like to take a trip to the Big Island with my car and not have to go through the hassle of check-in at the airport.

I thought my dream had come true with the arrival of the SuperFerry but that was not to be. A small band of rabid demonstrators put an end to that. Where were the police? Where was the Coast Guard? And, most importantly WHERE WERE YOU?

Here we have a legitimate and necessary business with a business plan submitted years ago, who thought that they had all of the necessary approvals to go ahead, who spent millions on a boat and start up of operations only to be stopped after the first trip. Were all of you asleep or is this the third world approach to doing business in Hawaii. Now, all of a sudden, everybody has woken up with lots of fingerpointing and myriad solutions to satisfy a few malcontents who cleverly shout " Keep Hawaii Hawaii ". Well the sugar plantations are gone and the pineapple fields are almost gone and Hawaii will change whether you like it or not. With all of the development on the outer islands and the consequent rise in population, air and boat traffic will also increase with or without the Ferry.

As a side issue I wonder how many whales are hit by the Young Bros. barges and certainly they are hit frequently by the tourist whale watching boats. Also the Ferry will bring competitive rates for freight and personal transportation between the islands. Certainly not a pleasant thought for the airlines and the car rental companies. I have a suggestion. Maybe for once you could do something to benefit the residents of this State.

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ATTENTION: House Committees on Transportation and Finance

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To: Representative Joseph M. Souki, Chairman, Transportation Committee
Representative Marcus R. Oshiro, Chairman, Finance Committee

From: Karen White. Retired, Family Court
Arcadia, 946-9901

Re: SUPERFERRY

In 2005, Maui Circuit Court Judge Cardoza and U.S. District Circuit Court Judge Gillmor supported the Superferry and the State to proceed with their plans to provide a new, exciting transportation option for Hawaii. The Department of Transportation and the Superferry staff worked together on what environmental and other plans should be followed, Superferry following all recommendations.

Two years later, in 2007, after the harbors were prepared, and the beautiful ship arrived in Hawaii ready to sail between islands, Judge Cardoza and the Hawaii Supreme Court changed their minds and ruled otherwise. WHY -- AND WHY SO LATE????

From several polls taken state wide, at least 84% of residents are in favor of the new method of travel to visit friends and family. WHY IS THE SUPERFERRY, WHEN IT FOLLOWED ALL THE RULES, BEING SINGLED OUT AND OTHER INTERISLAND SHIPS ARE NOT HELD TO THE SAME STANDARDS????

(During a short, beautiful trip on the ferry, I talked with a young crew member busy painting railings - he was so happy!!! "I had to move to the mainland 'cause I couldn't find a job here. But now I'm home - with a job - on the water - MY DREAM COME TRUE!")

For him, for the many of us elderly who can no longer fly to visit our islands, PLEASE LET THE SUPERFERRY SAIL!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Karen White
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House Record

From: Loretta O. Hussey [lohussey@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:37 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Hawaii Superferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Loretta de Fries Hussey and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

For many years we've prayed for another mode of transportation between and among our islands and this affords us this opportunity. We can finally travel with our ohana, with our vehicles to other islands to visit more ohana and actually see the beauty of our islands from another perspective.

It actually allows even our small farmers on all islands, another means of transporting their products. I truly believe this is really a good thing, such as what goes on in Seattle, with many ferries, and boats in and out of all the harbors on all our islands. It allows us, residents, as well as visitors more choices when traveling, as well as providing more job opportunities.

Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to share my manao,

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House Record

From: Warren Hiromoto [whiromoto@centurion-ins.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:38 AM
To: House Record
Subject: HB 1 Relating to Transportation

Dear House of Representatives,

Please put me down as for the Superferry being in operation immediately. The Enviromental Survey can be done while theSuperferry is in operation. We the silent majority are being tired of those who make a lot of noise and do not represent us. Mahalo.

Warren Hiromoto

House Record

From: Rosado, Julieta M Ms UHM [Julieta.Rosado@AMEDD.ARMY.MIL]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:27 AM
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Subject: Hawaii Superferry (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Julieta M. Rosado and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I believe it will be an asset to our State and the benefits will considerably outweigh any of the perceived negative aspects that have been voiced by the persons who oppose this service.

I believe that the blow to this States' credibility as a place to conduct business will be destroyed if this bill is not passed and the citizens of this State will lose a very much needed mode of transportation.

I traveled to Alaska several years ago and I utilized their ferry service and I remember wondering at that time why Hawaii did not have such a service. We do not have an interstate highway system where we can drive to the other cities in our State and as a resident of the State of Hawaii, I believe we have the right to be able to transport our vehicles to the other islands. Please allow the superferry to conduct business in our State.

Sincerely,
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House Record

From: Winstargroup [winstargroup@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:40 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Superferry Testimony

Attn: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

My name is Dorothy Diane Wood and I strongly support the Superferry.

I was born in Hawaii and worked for major hotel companies for over 30 years with assignments on 5 of our islands. I believe the Superferry would be a wonderful alternative to the airlines for both local residents as well as visitors. Additionally, the transporting of cars is a definite plus for locals visiting their relatives.

While I think the apparent lack of planning including communication to the public, especially to the neighbor islands was reprehensible I do believe as long as the coastline and ocean life are protected, the silent majority of the neighbor isle residents would be in favor of having the Superferry. Again this is based on a viable alternative of family visiting/staying with their relatives.

Finally and critically, Hawaii needs to attract other businesses besides the Visitor Industry. While I believe in and support the The Visitor Industry, it is vulnerable and we don't have a close second industry. We've been saying for years we need to attract more diversified industries however we have a reputation that our state isn't easy to work with. Now we have the Superferry fiasco. I remember the previous issues involving the film industry. Yes we have some films being made here, however we could have many more. If Hawaii could attract and grow more businesses, than many members of families wouldn't have to go to the mainland to find jobs.

Thank you for your consideration.

With respect,

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House Record

From: BCameliKona@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:40 AM
To: House Record
Subject: RE: SUPPORT FOR SUPERFERRY

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

My name is Barbara Cameli and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

Having lived and worked in Hawaii for nearly 37 years, I don't believe that I've ever seen an issue divide the people and the Islands as drastically as the arrival of The Superferry.

I firmly believe the advantages of having such a transportation system available as a life-line between the Islands far outways any enviornmental issues. Ferry systems have operated sucessfully over the years bringing people to jobs and goods to people in such pristine areas as the San Juan Islands in the state of Washinton, without killing the protected Killer Whales or adversely polluting the waters sorrounding these beautiful Islands.

To think that a brand new state-of-the-art vessel such the "The Superferry" is going to cause more damage to our Eco-System than all of the other vessels sailing in and out of Hawaii's waters is rediculous. And the spread of Invasive Species is no more likely to occur than it is on the inter-island barges or flights.

As far as traffic is concerned, the same amount will come and go with each sailing, same as with the traffic occuring with each and every inter-island flight.

Please consider the following benefits; allowing the travel of;
Construction Company Crews and Equipment
School Sports Teams, Equipment and Buses
People With Disabilities who are unable to fly
Visiting Church Groups and Buses
Emergency Crews and Equipment
Produce from Local Farms
Farm and Rodeo Events just to name a few.

I say let's give this thing a chance and add another mode of transportation to the Hawaiian Islands enabling everyone the opportunity to explore and enjoy what each Island has to offer. Who knows it might even bring us closer together.

Count me as one of the silent majority!
Barbara Cameli
Kailua Kona, HI

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From: Loretta O. Hussey [lohussey@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:41 AM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Walter K. Hussey and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to share my manao,

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From: Greg Pacheco [euh@hialoha.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:32 AM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Gregory Pacheco and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I feel that the superferry will be the most significant improvement to the Hawaiian Islands Transportation system in history. I also believe with every good there will also be some bad, and therefore we need to make sure that the good outweighs the bad. In this case I feel the good far outweighs the bad, and I will give a few examples for the record:

Everyone wants to make sure that certain things (coqui frogs) dont get spread throughout the state. Well how did they get here? By boat? Everyone in the state is cosidered equal, and therefore why not have coquis statewide? This doesn't sound fair to me.

They say we need an environmental impact statement. Why doesn't Matson need an EIS when it adds a new ship to the fleet? Why don't the auto dealers not need an EIS when they plan to sell 3000 more cars this year than they did last year? Why doesn't Young Brothers need an impact statement for increasing their sailing schedule?

I really don't like complaining, but I think it's high time some of you legislators put a high priority on the needs of the community, and if the laws are complicated, then you folks are the people who write them, and therefore you should change them to benefit the majority.

Thank you for your time on this matter!

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House Record

From: harry aggers [dadsdad@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:35 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro

My name is Harry Aggers and I strongly support the HAWAII SUPERFERRY.

I believe the Ferry is a necessary addition to our transportation menu.
To allow a small minority to affect this positive addition is an embarrassment to the democratic system.

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House Record

From: Loretta O. Hussey [lohussey@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:44 AM
To: House Record
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Nicole Hussey Lee and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to share my mana'o,

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House Record

From: Tom Ocasek [TOcasek@mwgroup.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:42 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Hawaii Super Ferry Testimony

I support the approval of the Hawaii Super Ferry for the following reasons:

1. It is a needed form of transportation.
2. It has been approved. Like the Hokuli'a fiasco in Kona, it is a horrible message about doing business in Hawaii when one part of the government provides approval and the business invests the money only to have another part of government react to an extreme minority after the fact and can stop the project.
3. The vast majority of businesses and residents want the Ferry.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Ocasek, 275-5304

House Record

From: Don Clegg [apcdac@aloha.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:36 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Testimony in support of the Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

In spite of the testimony against the Superferry at the special hearings, it is clear that the majority of us in Hawaii are in favor of giving the Ferry a chance to operate successfully. The groups opposed to the Ferry that you have heard from are generally anti any progress and change. That is a sure path to disaster for us. We must innovate and change or be left behind as a second or third class community. A good point is made by Angela Chinen in the Oct. 24 morning Advertiser, Island Voices commentary. The State and the Super Ferry management went ahead after two judges had agreed that an EIS was not needed. Then the Supreme Court than took two years to decide to disagree. We simply can't function with these types of delays in government and judicial decision making. The Hawaii Environmental law, HRS C. 343 permits government agencies to specify exemptions to the requirement for an EIS. It is my understanding that the exemption previously granted for harbor improvements covered the kind of improvements made for the Superferry, and two judges apparently agreed. For rational individuals that should be enough assurance to proceed.

Another point. In spite of its size, the Ferry would most likely be seriously damaged if it hit a whale going at high speed. I am sure that this will further motivate the Ferry owners to operate carefully in the presence of whales, and I believe that is all we can ask.

Donald Clegg
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I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

House Record

From: Jerome Cox [jbcox97@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:37 AM
To: House Record
Cc: Jeri
Subject: State Ferry

Just one reason why we should have a State Ferry. I am retired and at 69 I still paddle canoe both 6 man and 1 man. With the ferry, I can put my OC1 on my SUV and go to different islands and race and NOT have to borrow a boat. Stay at hotels, and eat out.
Malama Pono,
Jerome Cox

House Record

From: KPSells [kpsells@sellsarts.com]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is "K" Peck Sells and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

In every mainland state, residents can drive from one county in their state to another county. They can do so to visit friends & family, shop, transport goods for sale & most important to me recently, seek special medical diagnosis & treatment. I am very lucky because I lived on Oahu for twenty years before moving to Maui full-time in 1991, so I have friends on Oahu to help me. I cannot get on or off of an airplane without wheelchair assistance, & am at the mercy of the airlines' personnel, most of whom are fantastic. However, I have to check in much earlier than I will for the ferry, & since I have to be "in control" of my carry-on baggage at all times, that makes it impossible for me to even take a potty break.

I can sit in my car with everything I need, & wait comfortably, & for a much shorter time, to drive onto the ferry. Once on the ferry I can lock everything in my car, (& I don't have to worry about any lost luggage), & walk to the passenger area & enjoy the beauty of the islands from the sea. Once the ferry gets to Oahu, I can get back in my car & not have to bother friends to pick me up, & deliver me to medical appointments. I can go where & when I need & want to in my own car.

I see the Hawaii Superferry as far more beneficial to local residents & businesses, especially small businesses, than as an additional tourist attraction.

Mahalo & Aloha,
"K" Sells

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House Record

From: Joyal "Joie" Nomura [kapua5000@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:44 AM
To: House Record
Subject: WrittenTestimony in STRONG Support of Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Joyal Nomura* and I **strongly** support Hawaii Superferry.

Reason: My Mother and Aunt are 85 and 93 years old and reside on Maui; I live on Oahu. Both are in wheelchairs and require special care. Their transportation between islands by air has become difficult to nil for them and our family care members. Island commuting for a visit or getting to a Honolulu medical specialist would be most accomodating for all via a the Hawaii Superferry. Just as important, no travel strain/stress for them and the family.

*Respectfully,
Joyal Nomura
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House Record

From: Judy McTighe [jmc Tighe@starband.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:40 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Ferry Service

How can we easily learn about Hawaii"s state when we visit if we are restricted to one island per visit. We are reluctant to return as our stay becomes limited to the place we choose. Start ferry service now if you care about visitors to your state.

House Record

From: PeteMaynes@boydgaming.com
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:43 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Superferry Testimony

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Pedro Maynes and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I believe it is vitally important for the State of Hawai`i to have an alternative means to travel to the neighbor islands besides air. Not only will it be good for our local commerce but more importantly for the people of all Hawai`i nei.

I'm also a strong supporter of environmental protection but why are we just applying the harshest mandate on the Superferry? If we truly believe in protecting all islands from invasive species than start implementing these same environmental reviews and inspection on all modes of transportation to and from all islands.

I'm also very disturbed by the critics of the Superferry when it comes to protecting the whales that migrate to our islands during the winter months to breed and return to their northern homes. It saddens me that these same critics will make the loudest protest to protect these creatures, but we hardly hear a whimper when it comes to the homeless, the abused, and the poor among us who deserve the same kind of attention and help.

Mahalo Chairs Souki and Oshiro for allowing me to share my mana`o and I humbly ask to please consider the positive impact the Hawai`i Superferry can have on all Hawai`i nei if it's allowed to stay and operate within specific guidelines.

e malama pono,
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"We create our own heaven and our own hell by how we interpret events. We can see the cup as half full or half empty; the choice is ours."

"Life is short, Forgive quickly, Love truly, Laugh uncontrollably, And never regret anything that made you smile."

House Record

From: Robert Lewis Stevens [robertlstevens@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:43 AM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Robert Stevens and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

It is necessary for a healthy economy to have competition, and choice of ways to move personnel, equipment, and produce. Etc. Don't let the narrow minded followers of a few radical, misguided groupies move us back to the stone age.

sincerely

Bob Stevens
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House Record

From: Charlotte Kane [piliialokane@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:38 AM
To: House Record
Subject: KEEP THE SUPER FERRY IN HAWAII!!!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Charlotte Kane* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I would like to see another inter-island transportation option available for local residents. I am tired of the plane-fare wars that are currently taking place between the airlines. The irony in the plane-fare wars is that they don't even provide quality services anymore. The ferry will give us an advantage of not only allowing us to bring our own vehicles, but to also (for a change) enjoy the journey.

I'm a mother of triplets, and flying can be very uncomfortable for me. It is very hard to occupy children, even for a 20 minute flight. Another inconvenience for me is that I have to either check-in three car seats each time I fly, or pay the rental company an outrageous fee for renting three car seats--the ferry will alleviate that burden for me. I can bring my van (car seats included) and drive off into my eagerly awaited vacation. Trust me, the ferry's a good thing.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Kane

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House Record

From: Brian Redo [brian@hafnercreative.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 9:55 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Supporting Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro: Unfortunately I cannot attend the meetings because of work. I would like to state my total support for the Superferry. I find it interesting, that almost all of the people testifying against the the Superferry are asking the State to deny only the Superferry operation in the state of Hawaii, and not the other shipping and airline companies that have introduced 99% of all the invasive species, etc. to all of the islands in the past. Concerning traffic, it will certainly increase at the harbors, but it will also alleviate a substantial amount of traffic at the airports. Wouldn't that be nice! Whales, not a problem. The ferry has stated that it would travel at a reduced speed when in whale calving areas. Today 360 degree sonar and radar systems would almost eliminate any chance of a whale collision. No EIS for Young Brothers?? I've fished the Kohala coast for over 18 years and have always enjoyed watching the whales. Every year I would see whales swimming between the tugboat and the barge being towed by a 1,000+ foot steel cable. Whales are intelligent enough to discern what the tug and barge are, and they certainly avoided them. Unfortunately, I doubt that they have a clue what the long cable is. Sometime I would see whales with calves swimming between the barge and tug and wondered if they would collide with the cable. I'm sure if this happened we would not know or be told about it.

It would be extremely short sighted if the main reason that the senate is doing this is because the state is funding a portion of the harbor upgrades for this particular enterprise. All of the shipping transportation systems should be required to submit an EIS every-time they upgrade or add to their business infrastructure, even if the state doe's not fund the upgrades. Airlines included, and all retroactively. Add a flight provide an EIS. Add a barge, provide an EIS. Add a highway, provide an EIS. Not requiring ALL transportation systems to provide an EIS will only ensure that invasive species, traffic problems, etc. will persist.

Obviously, if those testifying against the ferry were really interested in stopping the spread of invasive species, potential traffic problems or even the rare whale collision, they would also insist that all transportation systems be required to do so. I don't see them doing that. The state should stop allowing monopolies or duopolies from limiting competition and the public's choices. The public can't afford the extremely high rates for all items shipped interstate because of this lack of competition. Everyone I know, excluding a few I know who work for the unions, need and want the Superferry. I support the bill that would allow the Superferry to continue operation while conducting an EIS. Also, I

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would like to see a bill passed that would require all transportation companies to submit one also. Fair is fair. Our environment needs all businesses to abide by the same rules, or why even bother?

Respectfully, Brian M. Redo

House Record

From: Wanda Spillner [WSpillner@aighawaii.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:45 AM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Wanda I. Spillner* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The people of Hawaii, as well as our tourists, have been offered a wonderful new means of visiting, and a less stressful way of traveling to the islands we love. Of course the safety and beautification of the islands are important to us, and I believe that all involved have Hawaii's best interest at heart. The Superferry will give the people of Hawaii a more beneficial, and a more safer way of traveling to the islands. We'll be able to visit our family & friends more often, and attend family functions with ease.

Just a wonderful benefit all around, for All of Hawaii. Please Keep Hawaii Superferry in the Islands

Much Mahalo,

Wanda I. Spillner

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House Record

From: Steve Knight [steve@go-ianai.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:17 AM
To: House Record
Cc: elsa@mauichamber.com
Subject: I strongly support Hawaii Superferry...

ATTN: HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
DATE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2007
TIME: 9:00 A.M. AUDITORIUM, STATE CAPITOL

HONORABLE HOUSE COMMITTEE MEMBERS;

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE HAWAII SUPERFERRY...THE REASONS HAVE BEEN STATED OVER AND OVER BY THE VAST MAJORITY OF HAWAII'S BUSINESS COMMUNITY ALONG WITH ITS RESIDENT POPULACE. PLEASE DON'T LET THE VOCAL MIÑORITY WIN ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. AT THE VERY LEAST SUPPORT A BALANCED BILL THAT WILL ALLOW THE HAWAII SUPERFERRY TO OPERATE DURING THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS. PLEASE, THIS IS DEFINITELY WHAT IS NEEDED TO PRESERVE HAWAII'S BUSINESS IMAGE.

MOST SINCERELY,

STEVEN KNIGHT
PRESIDENT/CEO
EXPEDITIONS
MAUI-LANA`I FERRY

House Record

From: Scott [scott@pplantation.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:40 AM
To: House Record
Subject: In Favor of

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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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Scott D Greer* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am a farmer on the big island of Hawaii faced with significant dilemmas on almost a weekly basis. One of them being "air lift" off this island to export. In the last two months I have exported more than one hundred thousand pounds of rambutan to the mainland which albeit sounds good, is quite disheartening as I have left thousands of pounds on the trees in part due to lack of air lift from the island of Hawaii. To be able to "ship" to Oahu in an expeditious manner would be a much appreciated option. I would consider myself part of the silent majority who helps drive the economy and feel I should have a say in this. For far too long now, non contributing, ebt card carrying, political activists/protesters have controlled what has taken place in this state and the media has willingly forwarded their biases. Please, do something for the good of the state and send a message to the rest of the country and the world whom, I promise you are watching and let them know the tide is changing in Hawaii. That in the near future, perhaps it will not be such a hostile state to do business in. If I were a gambling man, which in essence I am for doing business in Hawaii, I would bet large sums that the majority of the people in protest, carry ebt cards in the purses/wallets or are in some other way, subsidized by the state. Act in the best interest of the state!

Scott D Greer

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House Record

From: Loretta O. Hussey [lohussey@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:47 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Re: Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Andrea Hussey-Leong and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

For many years we've prayed for another mode of transportation between and among our islands and this affords us this opportunity. We can finally travel with our ohana, with our vehicles to other islands to visit more ohana and actually see the beauty of our islands from another perspective.

It actually allows even our small farmers on all islands, another means of transporting their products. I truly believe this is really a good thing, such as what goes on in Seattle, with many ferries, and boats in and out of all the harbors on all our islands. It allows us, residents, as well as visitors more choices when traveling, as well as providing more job opportunities.

Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to share my manao,

Andrea Hussey-Leong
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Ph. 808 220-8063

House Record

From: Loretta O. Hussey [lohussey@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:45 AM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Sohn Drake Lee and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to share my manao,

Sohn Drake Lee
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House Record

From: Mahealani Jimenez [mililaniwahine@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:43 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Hawaii Superferry support

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Christine Jimenez and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I regret that I cannot give my testimony in person so I am hoping you will accept it via email.

I believe that the people of Hawaii should have the right to choose transportation options when traveling between islands. The Superferry is good for Hawaii and should be allowed to operate while the EIS is conducted.

Sincerely,
Christine Jimenez
mililaniwahine@yahoo.com

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House Record

From: Loretta O. Hussey [lohussey@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:48 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Re: Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Lance Kenui Leong and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to share my manao,

Lance Kenui Leong
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Honolulu, HI 96813
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House Record

From: Loretta O. Hussey [lohussey@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:49 AM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Loretta L. de Fries and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to share my mana'o,

Loretta L. de Fries
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Phone: 808 671-8834

House Record

From: Loretta O. Hussey [lohussey@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:51 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Re: Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Michelle L. Hussey and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to share my manao,

Michelle L. Hussey
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Ph. 808 358-3366

House Record

From: Jane Goldsmith [jegold@hawaiiink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:51 AM
To: House Record
Cc: info@hawaiisuperferry.com
Subject: Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

We are Glenn and Jane Goldsmith, and we strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We think the Superferry will provide transportation for many activities that now find it difficult to travel between the islands. Some of these are agriculture, sports, shopping, doctor visits and family activities. It would also be very important in case of an emergency, when it is necessary to move people and emergency supplies that might otherwise have to be on a barge and take much longer.

We are looking forward to using the Superferry to visit other islands with our own car, and our dog. Presently this is not an option.

It is our hope a way can be found for the Superferry to operate. Please help make this happen.

Sincerely,

Glenn and Jane Goldsmith
P.O. Box 594, Lawai, HI 96765
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House Record

From: Bill Lane [bill.lane@dhx.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:50 AM
To: House Record
Subject: 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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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

While I understand some of the concerns of the environmental groups, I am more concerned with the growth of the state of Hawaii in terms of infrastructure and traffic/transit availability. To be as limited as we are, by inter-island freight and the movement of people to only commercial airlines and one [1] barge system is rife with paternalism and a near monopoly.

I agree that a EIS should have been done. This was a legislative/administrative blunder that opened the door to these challenges.

However, for the greater good, for the majority of the people of the state of Hawaii, I support the superferry being approved to operate, while a EIS is done.

The specter of a billion dollar lawsuit that will only sap our tax dollars further also looms in the horizon, too. This would have a disproportionate affect on all of the state, not just those who would turn this ferry away [as well as the one still being built for this market]. We don't need more taxes to cover this problem. We need more options to move people and freight between islands.

With Regards and Aloha

Bill Lane
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

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House Record

From: Loretta O. Hussey [lohussey@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:53 AM
To: House Record
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is John Shepard and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to share my manao,

John Shepard
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House Record

From: Frederic Berg [808.284.4221 @earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:22 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Frederic Berg and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I find it unfortunate that our Supreme Court had to support the Environmentalists position by creating a new precedent rather than ruling in line with previous precedent, however that is how our democracy works, therefore we now need to make the necessary changes in the Legislature to allow the will of the people to prevail. (My understanding is that 60 - 90% of the people of the State of Hawaii want to see the Superferry operate and most of those do not want to wait for an EIS process either for philosophical reasons or for fear of losing the Superferry because of its debt service.)

If we are to feed our people by providing jobs rather than paying out welfare we need to use the latest technology and most advanced systems to remain competitive in the global economy. The Superferry brings the kind of advanced system to our State that can help fuel internal economic activity, making us more resistant to external economic shocks.

I have sailed inter-island for the past 35 years. I see nothing wrong with the Superferry operating between the islands in much the same way a Matson container ship, Young Brothers barge or a Norwegian Cruise Line cruise ship operates in our state waters.

Please approve a bill that will allow the Superferry to resume operations with out delay.

Thank you for your consideration.

Aloha,
Frederic Berg
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808.284.4221

10/24/2007

House Record

From: Shelley Coscina [shelley@mountainapplecompany.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:45 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Super Ferry

Aloha, I think that the most of the people in Hawai'i want the Super Ferry and that they have been very badly treated in this situation. Families, School teams, workers that travel from island to island following jobs will all benefit from the Super Ferry. I don't see how the Ferry is going to impact us in a negative way. The islands are getting so congested. The streets. The airport. Let's take some of this traffic out to sea and allow the people of Hawai'i to have the option of another means of travel. Thank you, Shelley Coscina

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Shelley Coscina
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House Record

From: Donna Howard [dhoward@ntbg.org]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:54 AM
To: House Record
Subject: From Kauai and in support of Super Ferry!

Please add my name as in individual who works on Kauai and would like to see the Super Ferry come to Kauai.

Donna Howard

*Director of Development
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808-651-0479 cell*

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House Record

From: AC & Delphine Brown [brownd011@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:54 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Support for the Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is A.C. Brown and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Hawaii Superferry because it will offer a viable alternative for private citizens as well as businesses to travel and deliver goods and services between the neighbor islands. With the cost of shipping steadily increasing, this will offer a more economical alternative to ship goods and allow another choice in inter-island travel. Please allow the Superferry to operate while an EIS is completed.

A.C.
Brown

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677-2475

House Record

From: Michael Zee [zee@hawaiiintel.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:54 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Yes Super Ferry

As a registered voter of Hawaii I ask you to support and vote yes on legislation to allow the Super Ferry to operate immediately.

Michael Zapara
PO Box 720, Kilauea, Kauai
96754

House Record

From: chip weil [chipshomes@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:48 AM
To: House Record
Subject: Superferry

Please allow it to run....Its sooo needed...We will visit twice as much if we know its there to travel on....