From:

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Sent:

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:31 AM

To:

House Record

Subject: Re: SUPPORT HAWAII SUPER FERRY

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**

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Le, Michael and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I was so happy to find out about the Hawaii Superferry. Now I am saddend that I might not ever get a chance to ride on it! I support the Hawaii Superferry because it gives some people the option to travlel to either Kauai, Maui, or Hawaii isle. It can get a little costly for a family to travel to another isle, with air, car, hotel fees. Also it give you the freedom to take your own car. What we have here in Hawaii is all monopolized by the airlines & rental car agencies. When airlines are booked up, people can turn to another alternative to get to another isle. IN the long run, it can only bring income to the islands. How can Hawaii get ahead, if we keep going backwards?! Some people are afraid of flying on airplanes, but are ok with boats...so they might opt for the Superferry and visit another isle. Of course I am concerned with the evnviroment and the damaged that might be cuased becuase of the Hawaii Superferry. But what is the difference between the cruise ships, container barges, and the Superferry? Its just really sad that some of the people of Hawaii oppose the Superferry. We are the laughing stock of the country! Does Hawaii have to

go thru more shame & riddicule?! I surely hope not! I urge you to vote in favor of the Hawaii Superferry to operate!

Le, Michael 1309 Wilder Ave. #802 Honolulu, HI 96822 (808) 596-9888

From: Lorraine Sylva [irrol10@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:29 AM

To: House Record

Subject: HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

Dated for: Thursday, October 25, 2007 Time: 9:00 a.m.

TO: House Committee on Transportation House Committee on Finance Auditorium, State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii

Requirements for the Department of Transportation to perform an environmental impact statement (EIS) for certain improvements made to commercial harbors. To permit operation of large capacity ferry Vessel Company prior to completion of EIS upon meeting certain minimum conditions. Establish a temporary Hawaii Inter-Island Ferry Oversight Task Force.

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

My name is Lorraine J. Sylva.

I strongly and hold heartily support the Hawaii Super Ferry. Because:

- 1. Options to travel from one island to the next. The airplane was the only means of travel.
- 2. The fear of flying (emotional and psychical disorder) prevents people to travel from one island to another.
- 3. More affordable means of travel to include the whole family rather than only one or two family members.
- 4. Our own automobile something I know how to drive rather than a rent a car I have to quickly learn to drive just to get it out of the lot.
- 5. Comfort instead of confinement stay in your seats until the seatbelt lights go off and no where to go but the restroom.
- 6. Go shopping and no need to worry how to bring everything back home. Or visit a relative(s) bring food cooked or canned goods, rice and etc. Bring over some clothes, blankets, sheets and even pillows...no need to pack them up in a suitcase anymore just box it up and put them in your car. How great is that!
- 7. I need to visit my sister but she doesn't have a car to pick me up. No need, I got car and I can take her food shopping, doctor and where ever she needs to go. The best part, I can be back home on the Super ferry without imposing on my family to pick me up at the airport. I just drive home.

This is a long awaited dream. Please, make this dream a reality not just for me but for all the people of Hawaii and especially for those who don't have internet service and for those who don't have a computer.

Mahalo, Lorraine J. Sylva 95-269 Waiala Street Mililani, HI 96789

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From: Laura Fowler [laurafowler@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:39 AM

To: House Record

Subject: Support for the Superferry

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# Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Laura Fowler and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I would like to testify support for the Superferry to operate while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. The Superferry will help my photography/art business, as I will be able to transport my goods to sell on Maui. It will also help my family to travel during the upcoming holidays.

Thank you, Laura Fowler 47-499 Ahuimanu Rd. Kaneohe, HI 96744 239-2672

From: john kimura [johnk@jk-electric.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:06 AM

To: House Record

Subject: SUPPORT SUPPER FERRY

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

My name is John Kimura, CEO and President of JK Electric Inc. We have another subsidiary company called John's Works. We are a construction company operating in the State Of Hawaii for the past 25 years.

I'm not available to testify in person, so I'm submitting this testimony instead.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I am unanimous in favor of granting the Supper Ferry to operate while the EIS is being prepared.

It is important that we now take a stand to show the world that we in await are not anti business. Futher it is so very important that we establish an alternate means of transportation between islands and with the convenience of driving your own vehicle. This would make life so much less complicated for many people. Imaging family with multiple children's which has to be in a car seat. We now have 2 set of car seats when ever our grand children come over to visit. Its so much of a hassle for my children to visit us because of all the items that goes along with a young family.

I have a business that sometimes takes us to different islands. If you can imagine the items a family has to bring to travel, I don't know if you can imagine how much tools and materials we have to send with our crew to do the job. I can just picture, loading our van with all the necessary tools and materials, driving it on the supper Ferry, getting to the other island, driving off the supper and on to the job site.

Imagine the farmers that currently has to fly over the fresh vegetable and fruits to the other island. imagine the money they would save if they too can utilize the supper Ferry's drive on drive off system. How wonderful.

I can go on and on but I guess you get the drift where I' coming from.

Please support the SUPPER FERRY.

From: Catherine Dumond [punabuilder@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:44 AM

To: House Record

Subject: Support for the Hawaii Super Ferry

# Catherine Dumond RR2 Box 4079 Pahoa, HI 96778

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Catherine Dumond and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The reason I support the Hawaii Superferry is simple. I want a choice! I am tired of being held hostage by the airlines and shipping companies, or environmentalists.

I live in the Puna District of the Big Island and we need, no deserve, a choice in how we go inter-island. Go! Airline has proved, in fact, that although Hawaiian and Aloha Airlines were not "technically" acting in unison on pricing, they were in spirit doing it. Go! provided an option. Now it is time to give Matson, and Young Bros the same medicine.

I am small business person and think if I want to take my car to Oahu or Maui there should be choices. I also think that fair is fair. If the Superferry was given the green light, we should not go back on our word. When and if the lava flow covers our roads, I believe that the HSF will be a possible option later on to allow the population of Puna to travel to other parts of the island.

I also think that I no longer want to be held hostage by a group of anti-HSF who believe that because their voices are loud, they speak for everyone. They do not speak for me.

Sincerely, Catherine Dumond 808 217 7578 RR 2 Box 4079 Pahoa, HI 96778

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From: Charlie Serikawa [c.y.serikawa@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:38 AM

To: House Record

Subject: Testimony in Favor of the SuperFerry

My name is Charles Y. Serikawa and I am strongly in favor of the Superferry. Except for six years (serve active duty in the USAF and lived in California for 2 years) I have lived in the State of Hawaii for all of my 66 years. Because of the demographics of the State I believe the Superferry would provide an excellent alternate method of transportation. At present the only option one has to visit the other Islands of the State is to fly. As stated earlier, the Ferry would provide an alternate mode of transportation and more importantly provide an excellent method of travel for the **Handicapped**.

Invasive Spices: Before I left for the Mainland in 1964, the Islands were populated with the following birds: Doves, Sparrows, Rice Birds (Meijiro), Cardinals (Grey and Red) and Minar Birds. It had the everyday lizard, ants, snails, slugs, honey bees, flies, etc. When I returned to Honolulu in 1970, in addition to the Dove, Sparrow and Minar bird, I saw different birds. More importantly the Rice bird was gone and I rarely saw any Cardinals. I also saw Chameleons, fire ants, African Snails, Croqi Frogs, to name a few NEW spices. These spices (Birds/Insects/Frogs) were brought in from the Mainland by people who had no respect for our environment.

Therefore, give me a break and get off this invasive spices band wagon. The amount that will go between Islands will at least be part of the State.

From:

Lucille Philipp [lucille@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:39 AM

To:

House Record

Subject: Superferry is a good thing

Please be a part of the honest effort to provide a reasonable, as well as a more affordable, way to travel inter-island. Folks who otherwise forgo outer-island visits will have the option of a less expensive way to travel.

Mahalo,

Lucille Philipp

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From: charliesilva17@msn.com

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:57 AM

To: House Record
Subject: Hawaii Superferry

I am in very strong support of the Superferry operating in Hawaii. I am part-hawaiian and from the island of Kauai. I firmly believe that the new type of transportation can help our local people at large.

Aloha Pumehana, Charlie Silva

From: JIM DAHM [dahmmarketing@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:29 AM

To: House Record

**Subject:** YES TO SUPERFERRY

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is JAMES J. DAHM and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I STRONGLY SUPPORT HAWAII SUPERFERRY.

JAMES J. DAHM 3656 SPIRIT BLUFF CT

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THANK YOU, JIM DAHM DAHM MARKETING LLC

From:

Raelene Shimokawa [raelene@kidskornerhawaii.com]

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

Sent:

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To:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Raelene Shimokawa and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Having the Superferry here in Hawaii offers the people another means of transportation than plane. We need choices, and can not afford to continue doing things the same way we have been doing things years ago. Hawaii's population is growing. I'm sure we all know there are more vehicles out there on the road. We need to move forward and make things better for Hawaii. Having the Superferry here promotes business – jobs, tourism, supports local businesses on all of the islands and so much more. Having the ferry in Hawaii does not do harm as having cruise ships and other vehicles on the water and transporting locals and tourists from one island to the next. Bringing a car from Honolulu to Maui does not make more cars on the road, than having rented a car from Maui. It's the same thing. No one knows for sure how much impact (good or bad) having the Ferry will be, but how will you know unless you "try". Hawaii already has everything in place (the docks, workers & the ferry). If we choose not to have the ferry here, there is so much more negative impact – loss of jobs, Hawaii's negative reputation for growth, not to mention the amount of money Hawaii would be in debt, and overall holds back the people of Hawaii for growth & opportunity. Hawaii should wake up and realize we need to move forward and improve on our transportation. We can't always live the same way we have been living years ago.

Raelene Shimokawa

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# Raelene Shimokawa

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From: Sent: Dwayne.T.Kojima@courts.state.hi.us Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:22 AM

To: Subject: House Record SuperFerry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Dwayne Kojima and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I have lived in Hawaii all my life and have seen the cost of travel within the State of Hawaii increase over the years. It is refreshing to see an alternate mode of transportation enter into Hawaii. As a citizen of the United States of America, the freedom to have choices separates us from the countries that rely on the government to make decisions that an individual should be able to decide on their own (Socialism/Communism).

I am also in pursuit of my MBA and realize that having the Superferry enter into Hawaii's market can stimulate economic growth for the state. It will promote business in Hawaii and benefit all islands that will be involved.

Furthermore, I believe in the constitution of the United States of America and the balance of powers that it governs. The checks and balances of the constitution assure me that the Judicial Branch will NOT make the laws, but merely interpret them. It is the legislature that will have the responsibility of making the laws. Therefore, I favor the Superferry for two reasons. One, for the families to be connected vis alternate means of transportation, and two, for the mere fact that the Judicial Branch of the state's government is overstepping its bounds, and thereby restricting travel anywhere within our state which is protected under the constitution and our individual rights. I do not agree with the fact that a few hundred people are making the decisions for the masses. It is not representative of the majority. That is counterproductive to any economic growth and unconstitutional. In fact, I feel that the whole EIS focus is a mere smokescreen for a deeper resentment about the development of business. It is not about the environment as "they" say. In my honest opinion.

Should the Ferry fail (which I doubt). The counties responsible for the blockades should bare the financial burden of the certain lawsuits that will arise.

Dwayne Kojima, CSAC 171 Karsten Drive Wahiawa, HI 96786

From: Sent:

Robb McCaffree [robb.mccaffree@fox.com] Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:08 AM

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To: Subject: In support of the Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Robert J. McCaffree and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As a former resident who visits the islands often, I am surprised that an inter-island ferry was not instituted a long time ago. Seeing that numerous, large cruise ships are allowed to ply the same waters for the benefit of tourists, why shouldn't kamainas be allowed all the benefits that the ferry would bring? I strongly feel that the Hawaii Superferry has erroneously become the focal point of some locals who see it as representative of change. But the Superferry will change nothing about the islands themselves...it will simply offer a pleasant alternative to those who already travel between them.

Robert J. McCaffree 8633 West Knoll Drive #402 West Hollywood, CA 90069 (310) 889-4905

From:

Evelyn Pacheco [espinc@hialoha.net]

Sent: To: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:42 AM House Record

Subject:

Hawaii Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

I strongly support the Superferry being able to operate while the environmental studies are being conducted provided that the minimal precautions are taken to prevent pests from traveling to other islands. I also strongly support the release of data on exactly who is responsible for getting the Superferry to this point without the environmental studies having been conducted and who exactly is responsible for providing the funds for the anti Superferry movement. This information is critical to avoiding a recurrence in the future!

Evelyn S. Pacheco 808-959-0711 808-959-2775 Fax espinc@hialoha.net

From: wilek001@hawaii.rr.com

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:46 AM

To: House Record

Subject: HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Kevin N. Wile and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Legislation is supposed to reflect the will of the people. Legislators are elected by a majority of the people and are expected to pass legislation in accordance with the desires of the majority of the people. The protesting special interest groups on the outer islands do not represent the majority of the people.

The requirement for an EIS stems from the use of public money to pay for improvements in the state harbors (the barges). If there had been no changes to the harbors, there would be no requirement in law for an EIS. The Superferry would be running as planned, much as Young Bro's new Ro-Ro barge will be running (ferrying vehicles back and forth between islands) - with no EIS.

The arguments that people will be coming from Oahu to the outer islands to deplete "their" resources are specious. We are all surrounded by the same ocean. I can fish, camp, pick opihi, or whatever on Maui regardless of the way I got there.

Regarding the Sierra Club's "29 conditions" for ferry operations, they are unreasonable and, likely, illegal. They also should in no way have any enforcement authority. That smacks of vigilantism. The operation of Superferry should have no more restrictions than the operation of any other inter-island vessel. Passengers should be subject to no more stringent screening than passengers on any other vessel or airline. Vehicles transported by Superferry should be subject to no more stringent inspection than vehicles transported by any other inter-island vessel.

If the law governing the requirements for an EIS cannot be applied consistently, then the law is faulty and must be changed.

Kevin Wile Kailua, HI 808-263-3469

From:

John Montemayor [montemayorjohn@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:24 PM

To:

House Record

Subject: Testimony in Support of the Hawaii Superferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transporation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is John Montemayor, born and raised on the Island of Kauai and I very strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

I feel that the people of Hawaii deserve an alternative method of transportation to commute inter-island, and now is probably the only time our lifetime that we, the local people of Hawaii will have an opportunity to receive such a viable service for all walks of life and even to aid our Hawaii business in the same degree to ship goods throughout Hawaii's four major islands.

I am also, if I may disclose, an employee on Kauai that is currently on furlough leave with the Hawaii Superferry. I am very concerned about Hawaii's enviornment, whales, invasive species and drug problems. My co-workers and I realize that the Hawaii Superferry company is also very concerned about these same subjects and we as employees will most definitely support our employer and feel very strongly that the Hawaii Superferry's commitment to serving our islands in a very environmentally friendly manner far exceeds other modes of water transporatation already in existence.

Thank you for this opportunitiy to submit my testimony.

Sincerely,

John Montemayor 5327 Kumole Street Kapaa, Hawaii 96746 (808) 639-0600

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From:

Howard Miyamoto [himkeaau@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:48 AM

To: Cc: House Record Howard Mivamoto

Subject:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Howard Miyamoto and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The State of Hawaii will be hit again by a major disaster; Superferry will be a boon to us when this happens because it can carry need supplies and manpower quickly between the major ports. Other modes of transportation at the present time cannot fulfill this need in a timely way.

The environment is important too but the welfare of the people, in my opinion, comes first.

Thank you,

Howard Miyamoto POB 133 Keaau, Hi 96749 808-966-8186

From: Sent: John W Walls [jbwalls@juno.com] Monday, October 24, 2005 11:49 AM

To:

House Record

Subject:

**HB 1 Pertaining to Transportation** 

Dear Chairmen Souki and Oshiro:

My name is George Edward Walls and I reside at P.O Box 122, Hakalau 96710-0122 and have lived in Hawaii for 26 years or more. My request is that you support the Hawaii Superferry. The Superferry will improve transportation in our state and modify existing monopoly situations allowing the state to move forward. I have previously lived in Alaska and the ferry system there helped all communities that it served. Mahalo for your intelligent consideration.

From:

Stephan and Kazuko Kato [visioninc@earthlink.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:25 AM

To: Subject: House Record Hawaii Superferry

Aloha,

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Stephan Y. Kato and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Hawaii Superferry will give us very good choice for our film industries, we can drive our production vehicles into the Hawaii Superferry and it is makes production much much easier.

Stephan Y. Kato P.O. BOX 23145 HONOLULU, HI 96823 808-946-8678

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From: Neil Olsen [olsen1929@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:00 PM

To: House Record

Subject: Fwd: Maui Super ferry meeting 10-22-2007

I attended the Super ferry meeting on Maui and registered to address the senators in favor of allowing the operation during EIS. Unfortunately the loud, rude, group assembled in opposition to the ferry continued their yelling, shouting tactics interrupting all the speakers in favor of operating during EIS. After several hours of listening and observing this out of control circus, I left in disgust - unheard.

All the polls confirm overwhelming support for the Super ferry. Please do not allow this obnoxious minority, who repeatedly threatened to break the law and interfere with harbor operations should they not get their way, intimidate you.

I was aboard the maiden cruise from Maui to Honolulu and actually had to call the police department in order to locate the loading area as there was absolutely no traffic or signs of unusual activity to guide me. Departing the ship in Honolulu was equally trouble free.

We are an island state and to be connected by aircraft only is absurd, my company provides airport transfer services at OGG and the lack of adequate parking is impacting arriving travelers in a very negative way. The Super ferry should be allowed to operate during EIS if for no other reason to simply relieve the strain on our airports.

Now is the time for political courage.

Sincerely,

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From: Richard Filanc [Richard.Filanc@hawaiiantel.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:58 AM

To: House Record

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Richard John Filanc III and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

#### Please Save the Superferry!

The State of Hawaii residents need an alternative mode of transportation between islands (counties). In fact, the Superferry will have much less environmental impact than cargo ships and cruise lines that are international and mainland, not just inter-island or interstate.

The Superferry will also help stimulate the states economy, enhance inter-island commerce, and offer travel options to the tourism industry.

Thank you for your efforts to save the Superferry!

Richard Filanc III Hawaiian Telcom ESG Project Manager Tel - 808-546-1585 Email - richard.filanc@hawaiiantel.com

From: Clothier and Rose Company [crglobal@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:59 AM

To: House Record

Subject: Superferry Public Hearing Thursday, October 25th., 2007

Attention: House Committee on Transportation and

House Committee on Finance

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

Please add my name in support of the Superferry. I am in favor of allowing the Superferry to resume full scheduled service to Kauai and Maui during the time required to perform an environmental impact study that will create an environmental impact statement (EIS).

I have been a sales representative in the Air Conditioning Industry for over forty years. As a small business owner, calling on accounts on Kauai and Maui (also on Big Island) I would appreciate the efficiency and convince of being able to load sales samples into my car and then travel to our other islands by Superferry. The weight of some of my samples makes air travel too expensive.

I think the Superferry would allow my customers to learn more about new products in less time than is now possible with only one mode of travel between our islands. We are one state, united, not a collection of competing tribes. For the good of our state and the greater good of our people, let the Superferry sail.

Mahalo.

Don Clothier, owner Clothier & Rose Company Established in 1964 1221 Victoria St. Suite 3101 Honolulu, HI 96814 808.521.8221 office 808.533.1912 fax crglobal@hawaii.rr.com

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Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:00 PM

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#### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is JoDee Hunt and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

We have been waiting for this opportunity for years as it is too costly to travel interisland with our family by plane. The Ferry would enable us to go more frequently and take our car as well. We have used a Ferry like this between England and Ireland and it is an incredible ride and great experience. We miss the days when we could go to and from the Mainland by Matson ships and this would be a bit of nostalgia in that regard. I also fear that this controversy sends a very negative message to all who want to do business in this state. I would think that it would make them very apprehensive about trusting any communication with the Hawaii government.

I am of the opinion that most of the opposition to the Ferry from the outer Island folks is merely due to inflammatory half truths that they are being fed by a small group of opponents to any type of economic development.

I don't think that they should be exempt from any legitimate restrictions which are demanded of other ocean carriers but I would strongly urge you to support this Ferry and let it sail while any further requirements are being met.

JoDee Hunt 126 Kaiolena Drive Kailua, HI 96734

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From: Sheryl secret [sheryl96822@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:34 AM

To: House Record

Subject: SUPER FERRY PLEASE:)

#### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mrs. Sheryl Thompson and I *strongly support* the Superferry.

I have been excited about this option for years and am so looking forward to using it to go to the Big Island and possibly Maui. I own property on the Big Island and would like to be able to drive my own vehicle while I am there. I don't think locals should HAVE TO rent cars. We are locals not tourists! Also, I am of (deep rooted) Hawaiian heritage for the record. My husband was in the Navy 11 years prior to going to work for HMS in Okinawa with the intention to be able to transfer home in Hawaii when the Super Ferry begins Oahu-Big Island operations in the near future. I would like very much for he and I to be closer together after so long apart when he was out to sea in the Navy. (after all, this Super Ferry was a deciding factor when he left the Navy)

Personally, I could care less about taking my vehicle with me to Kauai.

Considering Oahu is the most populous island and the only island WITHOUT ANY RACE TRACKS. I would like to travel with my rather large car club outer island to enjoy some legal high speed fun at their race tracks. I have always believed in supporting the local economy. :)

### Mahalo,

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From: Josephine Fisk [sepina12@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:05 PM

To: House Record

Subject: Support Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Josephine Fisk and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I think that having the Superferry would give people in Hawaii another option for travelling between the islands. Â Families would find it easier to visit other islands with their personal vehicles. Carpenters and other workmen can send their vehicles filled with all their tools and materials. Â The Superferry would transport them to their destinations in three hours, ready to work instead of having to wait three DAYS for their trucks to arrive when sent through Young Brothers. Â Farmers could quickly send fresh fruits and vegetables to other markets on neighbor islands. Many people would benefit with the Superferry operating in Hawaiian waters. The environmental concerns brought up by opponents could be remedied easily. Â The undercarriages of vehicles could be rinsed off before boarding the Superferry. Â Whales are not in Hawaiian waters all-year-round. Â The Superferry could avoid the areas where the whales congregate when they are in Hawaiian water, or they could travel slower.

In any caes, the Superferry should be allowed to operate while an EIS is conducted.

If the Superferry is not given the green light to operate, I am afraid that every Hawaiian taxpayer and every boat owner will have to pay if the company decides to sue the State of Hawaii because the State government authorized the business startup seven years ago. The company stated operations in good faith that the government had done everything that was needed.

Josephine Fisk 91-855 Po'owai Place Ewa Beach 96706 685-3693

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From: Biz Kellam [elizabeth.kellam@century21.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:02 PM

To: House Record

Subject: HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Elizabeth Kellam and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Unfortuately I am not able to testify in person.

I stronly believe that Hawaii desperately needs an alternative to inter-island air transportation not only for passenger service, but to support the outer Islands in times of a natural disaster to transport relief supplies and personell.

Elizabeth Kellam

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From: Neil Olsen [olsen1929@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:59 AM

To: House Record Subject: Fwd: Super Ferry

I was a passenger aboard the inaugural voyage from Maui to Oahu last Sunday. I have never experienced a smoother, more trouble free and relaxing mode of transportation. The Maui infrastructure was not impeded in any way, there were no traffic jams, lines or traffic problems of any kind. In fact I had to call the police to inquire where exactly they were loading as there were no signs of unusual activity anywhere in Kahalui.

Since the Sierra club and the environmentalists of all descriptions and dubious qualifications are advocating the enforcement of a restraining order preventing this long awaited and much needed service on Maui, who will advocate enforcing the laws preventing those confused souls on Kauai from illegally interfering with harbor transportation right of way?

Shame on the US Coast Guard for allowing this law breaking group of short sighted individuals to control our harbors. If we are going to enforce some of the laws concerning this mode of transport, lets enforce them all.

Why no impact study requirement for Norwegian cruise lines and other cruise ships, as they bring far more people to Maui than does the Super Ferry?

Is it any wonder the investment enviorment in Hawaii is suspect at best, when a 300 million dollar expenditure is jeopardized by this small but very loud coalition.

Sincerely,

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From:

Manu Medeiros [manu.medeiros@pyramidins.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:06 PM

To:

House Record

Subject: Support for Hawaii SuperFerry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Kulamanu Lemke Medeiros. I live on Kauai and have many relatives and friends who live on Oahu, Maui, and Hawaii island. I strongly support the SuperFerry because I believe it will enhance our economy. We need this type of interisland travel as many of us would like an alternative to Young Brothers or Matson to ship large items. A large number of residents have children attending the University of Hawaii who could use a more economical means to ship their vehicles to Honolulu when school is in session; and back home during breaks. Please believe that the activists protesting the ferry do not represent the majority—they are in the minority.

They are unfairly targeting this business and are noticeably silent when it comes to criticizing the airlines, cruise ships, Young Brothers, and Matson for their part in drug trafficking, spread of unwanted species, harming marine sea life, and the like. Be fair and impartial in your decisions. Our state must support not unreasonably restrict business growth.

Sincerely yours,

Kulamanu Lemke Medeiros

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Kapaa, HI 96746

From: Liz Kimura [ekimura@mail.admrec.hawaii.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:07 PM

To: House Record Subject: Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Elizabeth Kimura and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I feel they should be allowed to operate while the EIS is being done.

There is nothing that they do which is any different from what Young Brothers and other transport companies do, as far as transportation services.

I do feel that the "emotional" testimony on the outer islands has been just that emotional. It is devoid of logic. I do care about our islands and the whales however...

- 1) If people don't travel by ferry, they will travel by air. So they will still visit the outer islands. Hence no more congestion than usual as far as the impact to Maui and Kauai. The outer islands welcome more air flights, this is just another alternative.
- 2) As far as the whales surely, we can work out a route which will lessen the chances of having a collision with the whales.

- 3) We are not talking about 5 or 6 ferrys traversing our waters we are talking about ONE ferry. They will not cause any traffic jams. I have much confidence that the whales will stay away from the ferry's as well. They will hear the vibrations and naturally move aside, thus limiting the encounters.
- 4) We are all one state, what "invasive" species do we have that Maui and Kauai don't have?
- 5) When cars are shipped via barge, do you hose down each car? Do you make people on cruise ships wash their shoes? When luggage comes into the state via the airlines do you wash them and vacuum them before unloading. Probably not, that is why we have bed bugs in some hotels. Perhaps we need an EIS for luggage transport? What type of invasive species are we allowing into our islands via luggage and people.

I could go on and on. Please I ask you to listen to the voices of logic and reason. Please do not let the rest of the world see us as passionate idiots, as people unreasonable and devoid of logic and unable to comprimise. I don't know the complete history, of the approval process, but surely, if the Judge Cardoza approved it the first time, then why not this time.

Don't have the company go bankrupt because people didn't do their homework, or don't have the backbone to standup to what they did the first time.

I have heard reports about how the legislature supported this endeavor, where is that support now.

We need to stop allowing the vocal minority determine our future.

Please allow them to operate and if the EIS shows REAL reasons to stop, then we can stop the ferry.

Thank you!

Elizabeth Kimura 578 Hahaione St Honolulu HI 96825

email: ekimura@hawaii.edu

[BRIEFLY AND SIMPLY DESCRIBE WHY YOU SUPPORT HAWAII SUPERFERRY (TESTIMONY IS MOST EFFECTIVE WHEN KEPT TO ONE PAGE)]

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From:

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Sent:

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:53 AM

To: Subject: House Record Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Donald & Carla Coskran and we strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We need another option for interisland travel. We just reurned from the Paciific Northwest where we could travel by air or ferry. Nice to drive our car on with bikes etc and go to another location. There were often times that a plane made more sense and there also is barge service available for hazardous or cumbersome loads. Nice to have the choice. Don't let the few radicals stop a very good thing for us in Hawaii.

Donald & Carla Coskran

Kailua Kona Hawaii.

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From: DeVonia Eppright [devoniae@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:08 PM

To: House Record

Subject: Support Hawaii Superferry

DeVonia Eppright Hawaii Superferry Inc.

Comments submitted via email (I will not be able to testify in person)

Contact Phone: 808.638.4509 or 512.217.9405

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## Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is DeVonia Eppright, I work for Hawaii Superferry and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I truly believe that this is such a great transportation alternative for the people of Hawaii. All other island communities across the world have ferry systems, why not Hawaii? Hawaii Superferry has already taken necessary precautions to assure that there is no harm done to the environment and has actually gone above and beyond what's expected of any company. There are already commercial and tourist vessels that sail through our Hawaiian waters that don't and have never had to go through so much scrutiny. It should not be this difficult for newcomers to do business in Hawaii. Perhaps if this service was something completely new and different, there would be a basis for all of the controversy but there are already vessels that ship cars, there are cruise ships, and cargo ships that sail and DOCK in our commercial harbors daily. I welcome you all to research all the necessary policies the Hawaii Superferry has in place including the Whale Avoidance Policy, that ensures that there are no plans to even come close to whales or other marine life. I also encourage you to study how the vessel itself was built and it's maneuverability. This was built unlike anything you've ever seen. It can stop and turn on a dime, unlike cruise ships, cargo ships, whale-watching ships, etc. I thank you for coming together to form this special session and I pray that you will allow us to operate as we enter the 11th hour. I am passionate about the Hawaii Superferry and have bonded with my fellow co-workers. I love Hawaii and have great hope for it's future. Let's show the world (because they are all watching) that Hawaii is beautiful. WE care for the environment, we care about our fragile environment, floral, fauna, and marine life, and work responsibly but not inefficiently.

The Hawaii Superferry benefits everyone. It gives our limited mobility community a chance to travel like they've never been able to before. Farmers now have more people they can sell produce to.

Businesses also have a wider client base and can move equipment more easily. People are no longer limited to what their island can offer. College students can pack up their cars and take their cars with them home during the summers and during school breaks. This ferry is for the people of Hawaii. We're not another cruise ship. We bring families together. Mahalo for your time!

Aloha and Mahalo,

DeVonia Eppright (808) 638-4509 home (512) 217-9405 cell

Let all that you do be done in love. -1 Corinthians 16:14

From:

Michael Dyer [mdyer@hawaiian.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:58 AM

To:

House Record

Subject:

Support for Hawaii Superferry

Attention: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

Date: Thursday, October 25, 2007

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Re:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Michael M. Dyer. I have been a full time resident of the Island of Kaua'i since 1971. I strongly support HB 1 which would allow the Hawaii Superferry to operate interisland, with certain conditions, while the Department of Transportation contracts for an Environmental Impact Statement.

Now is not an easy time for a Kaua'i resident to be a Superferry supporter. However, I have attended presentations regarding the Superferry at both my Chamber of Commerce and my Rotary Club, and I am convinced that the Hawaii Superferry's operators have identified all their known environmental impacts and have taken positive steps to mitigate these known impacts. I believe that the best way to identify possible unknown impacts is to operate the vessel and see if anything previously unanticipated arises during the operations. Then steps can be taken to mitigate these new impacts, if any are identified.

Sincerely,

Michael M. Dyer Kilauea Management Company P. O. Box 68 Kilauea, HI 96754 Cellphone: 808-639-1340

From: Holly Waters [Hollyh2os2001@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 11:32 AM

To: House Record

Subject: I strongly support the super ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

Muy name is Holly K Waters with Holly's Hawaiian Dressing in Volcano and I strongly support Hawaii Super Ferry. The reason is because I am a small business owner on the Big Island of Hawaii and I would like to see the Super Ferry run while an EIS is performed so that I can get my product to the Outer Islands epsecial to Oahu to my customers. Thanks You for your time

Holly K Waters P.O. Box 293 Volcano, Hawaii 96785 808-987-3436

From: Mark Morrison [mfaloha@aloha.net]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:06 PM

To: House Record

Subject: HB1

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

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

Do we have Environmental Impact Studies on Air Travel? Automobile Travel? Existing Shipping including the Lanai Ferry?

Is the Superferry being singled out because the other forms of transportation are simply "grandfathered in" or subject to separate Governmental Funding or other restrictions?

It seems ludicrous to subject one vehicle (the superferry) to this scrutiny and not the others IF we are truly concerned with environmental impacts. Or is this simply the most convenient/compelling argument for opponents?

I hope to hear from you.

Mark Morrison P.O. Box 529; Holualoa, Hawaii, 96725 (808) 960-2089 fax (808) 331-0876

From: Sent:

Betty Lou Shaw [shawj001@hawaii.rr.com] Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:04 PM House Record

To:

Dear Chair Souki and OshiroI

I James B. Shaw strongly support the Superferry.

James B. Shaw 4999 Kahala #204 Honolulu, Hi. 96816 phone 7353608

From: Nealmillertravel@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:14 PM

To: House Record

Cc: Nealmillertravel@aol.com

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Michael A. Voth and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry will offer transportation pricing competition to the Hawaiian Islands.

Michael A. Voth

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Suite 404

Honolulu, HI 96815

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From: Rita Okeane [OKEANER001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:15 PM

To: House Record

Subject: Super Ferry Crisis

Relating to HB 1 Relating to Transportation
Requiring an Environmental Impact Statement, oversight Task force, etc.

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007 TIME: 9:00am

**PLACE: Auditorium** 

Please distribute copies to the House members. Mahalo.

FROM: Rita Okeane (Your Signature)\_

My Address: PO Box 534 Makawao, Maui Hawaii, 96768

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Rep. Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair Rep. Marilyn B. Lee, Vice Chair

MY POSITION: Please honor the Court's decision to require an Environmental Review of the HDOT Harbor project BEFORE allowing the Superferry to operate. If you pass this bill, please include the 29 conditions proposed by the Maui delegation (based on the court testimony during the recent trial.)

From: Tiffany\_Kim/WAHIAWA/HIDOE@notes.k12.hi.us

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:16 PM

To: House Record Subject: Super Ferry

I don't see why the Super Ferry cannot run while they do the environmental testing. From what I've heard the Matson shippers don't have that environmental report and they continue to operate. Many people complain about traffic and more people on the island. People can still go there on a plane. Those complaining probably came here on a plane too. Then the people will have to rent a car so it doesn't matter if they bring their own or if they rent one. They will still need a car to get around. I think they are just making a big deal over nothing really. TK

Ualani Chinen [ualanironald@hawaii.rr.com] From:

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 12:19 PM Sent:

House Record To:

Subject: supperferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Wednesday, October 24, 2007

TIME: 12:05 pm

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Valencia U Chinen

My husband and I are strong supporters of the Supperferry. I think it would be a good change for hawaii. I like the fact that our local farms would benefit as well. We understand that there is an environmental imact that is being looked into, But we ask that you run the supperferry while this is being done.

Valencia U Chinen 180 Hoomalu st Pearl City, Hi 96782

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