Do not shatter what are the beginnings of our environmental laws.

It is the beginning of autumn in this year of the empire and the dollars fall as the leaves. One day not even a hooverian vacuum, vulture fund or the ubiquitous repo-men of foreign banks will see even factory fodder. Alone each will not even stoop to vacuum up what maybe beautifully colored leaves. They will be left to be exchanged by taxidermists of currency in differing curio and oddity markets and all such inheritors of free trade. The gluttonous host under the drifting leaves on the littered floor in our time here at present is another mater entirely though.

The leaves fall onto the continuously awakened backs of the orgy of carrion eaters. Those who have achingly been so long forbidden from the free lunch, now finally at last may partake most heartily scooping into every orifice the beneficent bounty kindly served unto them, one spontaneously seasoned with their own special spices of greed and avarice.

Each wind that blows through the amorphous heap is a newly contemplative moment buttressed with celebration of endless thanksgiving for the ever unprecedented feast of gorging which is now self attainable. They stir these sheaves of long awaited promise along their lengths glorying in their excess and try their inability to satiate themselves following the repetition of what they have been doing for soo long. They bathe in their spontaneously dedicated sites of vomitoriums and apply regurgitated remains back into their process of digestion if only to enjoy and enjoin the long awaited process interminably kept from them. They almost ritually pay homage to the ceremony of self absorption consecrating newly unbidden structures so the feasting horde may witness their gratitude. With the rest, they habitually try feebly to pick up every last leaf not so committed at the moment to such monumental artifice, in a decadent effect to paste onto what used to be camouflaged carapaces of traditionally institutionalized shame, changing into what now shall be marquis of brazen indulgence of this moment that is. This they will tell will stay with them they think for as long as they shall remember: " our children will sing great songs about us".

One day though the debris and hallowed shells will be grounds for new life to spring forth. The true precedence which is always there the process of regeneration.

The super ferry for sure is part of this ongoing cycle. Let us not be trapped as so many in this power structure would have us divided and going in circles in the same eddy of fracturization and degradation. Further, must we be stilled here to follow in this same current of shameless subsidy and taxpayer bailouts inspired by multinational inertia, our de facto governing structure. Must we also buoy these boondoggles floating small colonies of oligarchical timeshares. The very act of sponsorship seems to promote even more the disgusting habits of lapping at the trickle down seepage of voracious waste and dismantling of our infrastructure. These need to know nothing deals funnel into the mouths of ruling multinational elites, who after dismantling our socioeconomic infrastructure have the gaul then to take on our government functions at 10 cents on the dollar.

We should not be shattering what are the beginnings of the foundations for enviornmental laws. We must take on another course it seems obvious to me and all of us I think. A course which considers the whole situation the whole environment before we make any of our decisions. By in large more and more we must consider the greater ecosystem of the world when making our major cooperative decisions. Our own ways which we consider our local ecosystem will logically, slowly expand and soon perhaps we will consider the whole biosphere when making any decision and cooperative effort. We will hopefully make decisions based on this truth, we have no other choice. We may start by planting the true seeds of democracy now and very soon after be partially protected by it's branches.

Thank you for noting this, Oren Tsutsumi

41-792 Kalanianaole Hwy Waimanalo 96795 Oct. 29, 2007

To: The Editor

Subject: Birds of Paradise

Foreign birds have invaded the land of paradise. These birds are now Chirping a new song of protest. Doing a great job of covering up a drug bust that happened the same time on Kauai. Raiding that marijuana field was not as important as being in the news protesting the arrival of the Super Ferry.

SAVETHE WHALE, ElS STUDY Read this article that was written by Marsha E. Kitagawa Public Affairs Office, Hawaii State Judiciary. Check the Honolulu Star-Bulletin Editorial section.

Attention! Hawaiians and non-Hawaiians The sleeping Giant of Kapaa, Kauai needs to remind its people that the world of Aloha is being invade by strangers that somehow have BOX you in. Kauai and Maui have created animosity with the people of Oahu and maybe other islands who are watching and waiting for big explosion. Terrorism! Home Land Defense! Check you military invasion.

Using the invasion of bugs and other kind of excuse is looking to create a new kind of terror for Hawaii. Now Kauai is being invaded by a new kind of bird. The Alaska Airlines had landed with a new kind of bug. Bother You. Don't stop the Super Ferry from invading this islands. The charges are unfounded and this Super ferry is guilty of assuming problems that are created by these birds.

Democracy 1. Government by the people. Majority rules.

2. A political unit governed by the people. (as a nation)

Abuser of powers are being used by many have have attitude problems that needs to be check on their mental health and well being.

Mahalo Lucy M. alkan

Lucy M. Akau

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From:

Dennis Kim [cf7@cox.net]

Sent:

Monday, October 29, 2007 1:44 PM

To:

hsewrittenonlysbtestimony

Subject:

Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Dennis G. Kim, and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

I was born in Honolulu in 1947, and was raised in the Makiki area.

When I was a kid, Makiki stream ran in the back of my neighborhood, and spent many happy moments there, catching opai and fish and swinging across the stream on the banyan tree vines.

Keeaumoku St was cut off when the HI construction started and they built the overpass on Kinau and Keeaumoku Sts, and Makiki stream was buried underground in a concrete tunnel.

There was swampland where Ala Moana Shopping Center is, and a beautiful reef where Magic Island now sits, and Ala Moana Park was one of the best fishing areas in town.

Incidentally, the coral reef at Ala Moana was dynamited to be used as landfill for the Ala Moana Shopping Center and adjacent area where Don Quixote stands.

There was no beach with sand at Ala Moana Park. That was brought in.

I remember Waikiki and there is no resemblance to what it has grown into.

The Aloha Tower was the highest structure in town, and could be seen from just about everywhere.

The Ala Moana Shopping Center building where La Ronde Revolving Restaurant sat on was the highest "new" structure to be built in the islands. There was so much protesting about it.

The protests weren't environmental but had more to do with saying good-bye to the "old ways" and look of the city.

It's now just one of many high rise buildings in the city.

I first worked in Lahaina Maui in 1965 just out of high school at a nightclub called the Whale's Tail right off the corner of Lahainaluna Rd and Front St. It was such a small little town, basically one intersection, no giant resort areas like Kaanapali and Kapalua, Wailea wasn't even a thought yet, and Kihei was even less developed than Lahaina.

I also worked on Kauai in the early '70's at the Kauai Surf and remember that there was no city, big developments anywhere, residential or otherwise. The Jetty nightclub was operated and owned by Mama Oi and it was the local version of Cheers, where everyone knew your name, family, and everything else about you, like it or not.

It was the same way on the island of Hawaii where I also worked beginning in the early '70's, both in Kona at the Kona Surf, and in Hilo at the Naniloa Surf hotels.

Kona was a tiny little town, and Hilo was as rural as any place could be.

I moved to Los Angeles in 1966, when you knew why Orange County was named that. The very first streets were being put in and the orange groves were being cleared for the first subdivisions.

I lived in Vancouver Canada for a short while in the mid '70's too, and have seen it go from a small city to the sprawling burg it has become.

The point is, like everything else in life, things change, sometimes for what some of us may perceive as for the better, and for others, it makes them long for the good old days.

There is nothing that remains the same, your body, philosophy, surroundings, belief system, nothing.

It's called progress, and it is unstoppable as time itself.

They only thing we can do is try our best, be it as an individual, or society, to make the changes as best as we can, and as consciousness and awareness increase, make further changes.

I ask anyone on any island who is older than say, 50 years of age, if they don't remember "the old days", but on a daily basis, don't make use of all of the changes that have happened in that time, whether it be driving on the highway, shopping and making use of commodities shipped in, using utilities that have been put in place, and generally moving through the day watching tv, using a cell phone, shopping at a big store that replaced the neighborhood grocery store, traveling inter-island on one of the local airlines, etc..

Sure, I miss the way Makiki used to be, and Ala Moana before they built Ala Moana Shopping Center, but I also make use of every highway that has been built, even the H3 which has enabled me to see the beauty of Halawa Valley and enjoy a breathtaking view of the Windward coast.

I love to shop at Ala Moana and meet friends there to eat, and have lived in several of the many high rise apartment buildings that replaced open areas in Makiki where we used to pick so many varieties of fruit to eat when we played.

That's life. We move forward and make the best of it.

Who on the island of Maui or Kauai doesn't own a car? If you don't, and also don't own a television set, a computer, use any electrical appliances, a telephone, a cell phone, etc., then you may have the right to protest the Superferry.

What does owning a car and a cell phone have to do with not wanting the Superferry?

Well, first off, if your reason for protesting the Superferry's operation is an environmental one because it will encourage the spreading of invasive species of plants, insects, etc., you need to also be as vehement about Hawaiian Airlines, Aloha Airlines, United Airlines, Matson, Young Brothers, the inter-island cruise ships, the US Postal Service, UPS, etc, because all of these businesses and services do what the Superferry does, except on a much larger scale.

If your reasons for protesting the Superferry is because it will bring more people, and add to infrastructure congestion and overload, how many people, cargo, and cars can the Superferry move in a day?

Does it compare to the other organizations aforementioned that move people and commodities between the islands every day?

If you are against the Superferry for environmental reasons, you should in all fairness be prepared to take your fight to all of the businesses and organizations that bring people and commodities to the islands. Fair is fair.

You should also be prepared to protest the use of electricity and gasoline in our state, and legislate to keep any more people from moving to our islands.

You should also not benefit in any way the monetary gains made by any big business in our state that profits from serving the mass population, be it tourism, or residents.

Getting back to owning a car, cell phone, tv, etc.. If you are making this an environmental protest, step back a little and see that your owning and using any of these products contribute to the industries that are polluting the Earth, using up natural resources, and creating an unhealthy ecosystem for mankind.

Have any of you researched what goes into the making of a tv set or a cell phone? We all know the automobile industry and its dependence on oil does as far as creating pollution.

It was really interesting and embarrassing to watch the first town hall meeting on Kauai. I say interesting because of the testimony of some of the protesters.

A great example was the Caucasian woman that was protesting because the Superferry would bring more outsiders to the island, cause more traffic, add to the number of people using public areas like the beaches, etc.

THIS WOMAN GOES ON TO SAY SHE MOVED TO KAUAI TEN YEARS AGO FROM THE MAINLAND so she has added to the problem she is protesting!! Okay, so let's see, now that she's there, she doesn't want others to visit or be able to enjoy the island. Ooooookay.

SHE IS WHAT SHE'S PROTESTING! She is not a native of Kauai! Wake up!! Please! When I heard that, I didn't know whether to laugh or be saddened by the lack of consciousness she had, and the fact that she had people who applauded her statements.

I wonder how many of the protesters were island born.

I say it was embarrassing because of the way people acted. This was mentioned on national news. I heard someone yell out "F---- you Lingle" as the Mayor took the stand. Others laughed and some even cheered this behavior.

Is this the way we want the people of the Aloha State to be portrayed? Rude and uneducated?

Incidentally, and in closing, in my humble opinion, having been a resident of Maui for twenty years, I personally feel that the Superferry is a wonderful service for everyone.

When I lived on Maui, to visit Honolulu for medical care, seeing friends and family, or do business, I would have to catch a ride or hire a taxi to get to the airport, pay an enormous fare for a ticket, take hours of time at the airport on both ends of the trip, rent a car in Honolulu, and rent a hotel room to stay in.

When it was time to return home, it was everything in retrograde, return the rented car, catch a plane back to Maui, and once there, secure a ride or take a taxi back home.

The financial impact and time taken was such that the local people were saying, "It's cheaper and easier to take a charter to Las Vegas than to visit Honolulu". Well, maybe if you didn't gamble. :-)

I think it's wonderful that the Superferry will solve this problem for LOCAL PEOPLE and enable them to travel between the islands be it for visiting family, enjoying what another island has to offer, whether it be shopping, taking in the sights, medical care, etc., and improve commerce for RESIDENTS who will benefit as producers, like the agriculture industry intends to use the Superferry for, or consumers that will have a great way to enjoy these products, and have another way to travel between the islands economically.

We all know that every island has something wonderful to offer. I think the Superferry will allow everyone to enjoy the diversity of the islands, its people, and the choice of services provided, and this goes especially for the children.

It would be wonderful for children to have a viable way to visit the other islands. Can you imagine a field trip to Hawaii to see the volcano for a science class? Or visit Kauai's Waimea Canyon for a geology class? Or come to Honolulu for a field trip to the Bishop Museum? Wow!

With current modes of transportation, it is a logistical nightmare. I speak from experience as my wife has taught on Hawaii, Maui, and in Honolulu, and we have planned and executed trips between the islands, which was exactly like making a personal trip but exponentially multiplied time and cost-wise by the number of students on the excursion.

Or how about just getting in the family car and enjoying a trip, without the financial issues that traveling between the islands now presents?

The wonderful possibilities are endless.

Time marches on, and progress can't be stopped, but I still believe Hawaii is the land of ALOHA. The Superferry can enhance that by enabling us to visit and enjoy each other's islands and the beauty they hold, as well as see family and friends in an economically feasible and convenient manner.

Lastly, if you have respect for the land, people, and culture, why would anyone think that because a person doesn't live on a particular island, they will come by Superferry to destroy or cause mayhem on the island they're visiting?

They will be coming to visit and enjoy your island and maybe even you. They will not be coming to conquer your island. If they act like they are, call the authorities!

If visitors don't have respect, don't blame the Superferry, or the airlines, or cruise ships. Blame their parents for not teaching them the right values!!!!!!!!!!

Aloha, and thank you very much.

Dennis G. Kim

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From: Sent: mary wadsworth [mfwads@earthlink.net]

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

To:

Monday, October 29, 2007 2:33 PM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony

Cc: Subject: mfwads@earthlink.net WE SUPPORT SUPERFERRY

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mary Frances Wadsworth and Steven C. O'Toole and we BOTH strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I have ridden on the Ferry and found it to be a wonderful alternative transportation means to the neighbor Islands. Our current great low airfares due to GO Airlines may not always be available so it is good to have another choice. Taking our vehicles is just a plus!

Mary Frances Wadsworth &

Steven C. O"Toole

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From:

wpf [frazierw001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Monday, October 29, 2007 2:37 PM

To: Subject: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Support for the Super Ferry

Importance:

High

Sir or Madam,

I and 90% of my friends look forward to having an addition option other than the airlines for travel to and from the Big Island and Oahu. As a disable veteran/retiree (Army) it would be a great way to travel to Tripler for treatment using my own vehicle and would ease the financial burden for transportation to and from Oahu for treatment.

Additionally, once one of the big three of the airlines folds, prices for inter-island flights will once again be un-affordable and we will not have an option other than pay whatever price the airlines say!

Please do whatever is needed to provide us with an option other than the airlines for inter-island travel...

Sincerely

William P. Frazier MSG, U.S. Army (Retired) PO Box 103 HVNP, Hawaii 96718-0103

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is [kevin e blacken and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

we vacation in Hawaii once every couple of years and can see where the ferry would add to the ease for travel between islands and to take your rental car with you. i don't see where this ship would cause any more harm to the environment than any of the commercial or military ships that use the Hawaiian waters. i total support and would use the ferry when in Hawaii.

kevin e blacken

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From: Sent:

Trudy Blow [trularyb@hawaiiantel.net] Sunday, October 28, 2007 5:37 PM

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Super Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Trudy (Gertrude) Blow and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

This would be an effective alternate mode of transportation. Many folks do not care to fly or cannot fly because of medical or handicap reasons. It just makes sense to have the Superferry available in time of emergency too. Please vote for the Superferry going into regular service now, before the EIS is completed.

Trudy (Gertrude) Blow 410 Papaloa Road, #235

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From: Sent: Bob Keller [lopaka1002@yahoo.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 2:37 PM

To:

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Subject:

Superferry

Bob Keller

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Waimea, Kauai, Hawaii

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! 808 212-1235, 652-2539

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I know this is a futile letter, however my comments are heavy on my heart.

I grew up in Kailua, Oahu, and enjoyed the country spirit of that community. I remember going fishing at sea and coming home at night, you would be able to distinguish the different communities of Waimanalo, Kailua, Kaneohe, and Kahaluu, by their lights. Now they all blend together, and it looks like one big town. The population has expanded greatly, covering any available land.

When I moved to Kauai, I realized the difference in the spiritual experience. On Oahu if you said hello to somebody you didn't know, they would look at you as if you swore at them. On Kauai if you passed somebody without acknowledgement, they would look at you at you and grimace.

Before I moved to Kauai, I made it a point to live in the different communities on Oahu . What I found out was that the more people you can cram into a square foot of land, the more social problems you will encounter. People in Kalihi were more intolerant than those in Kahuku.

After Hurricane Iniki, we lost our entire infrastructure. I was amazed at the lack of ability, the people had to deal with no water, electricity, telephone, etc. Ironically the news tonight had a story about the issue of putting utility lines underground. This should be a no brainer. Think if everybody painted their roof white, the amount of the suns energy would be deflected to space. A definite asset to the global warming issue.

We must look at everything we can do to insure the stability of our environment, for our moopuna. This Is Hawaii, That's why People come here.

One of the most extreme issues I have with the superferry is the speed they must go to satisfy their business model. This is contrary to many of the lifestyles that local people have enjoyed for generations.

20 years ago I was stuck in the Molokai Channel for a night. Our boat sunk. Just the thought of the superferry barreling along at 40 knots, scares me to death. Just this and the possible impact the ferry may have on sea life, should be an indicator to the harm it could cause.

What's to exclude marine life from propulsion intakes? The way I see it, intake consumption is about 4,000 gals. a second. What will save the Aholehole from the intake?

When ever we bring a new technology to the precious land of Hawaii we need to take a 1st, second and third look at the impact it will have on the aina, with ample time in between each view, to insure we cause the best possible impact we can. Any action on our part must be beneficial to all facets of existing life forms. Economy excluded.

Too often, we base all of our decisions on economic impact. In Hawaii we need to set an example for the rest of the world. We could lead the world with proper political decisions.

On Oahu, visiting the neighbor islands is a luxury. One need only view the morning traffic report to realize that. Yes there are many people that live in Honolulu that want to get away to the outside islands. Democratically the Honolulu people will win the battle by sheer numbers, which will bring up the following point.

When ever we bring a new technology to the precious land of Hawaii we need to take a 1st, second and third look at the impact it will have on the aina, with ample time in between each view, to insure we cause the best possible impact we can. Any action on our part must be beneficial to all facets of existing life forms. Economy excluded. I know those are strong words but we must take all possible measures to save what we have left.

It's so important for us to be receptive to our outside environment. So many of us are complacent with "Desperate Housewives" and 3 Jobs. We need to see where we are truly going and what we can do to enhance the experience.

One of the best assets we have is the spirit of aloha, that comes from our hearts. it can not be replicated to adhere to any current economic standards. It must come fully from the heart, not the wallet. This is the marketable aspect of Hawaii, and is found only in Hawaii. We have so much to teach the world. Let this be the first lesson we have to offer to the world. And they will listen.

I would like to suggest that the neighbor islands have a stronger voice than they currently enjoy. We of the other counties have a strong heart, especially when it comes to infrastructure. Every day we have to negotiate traffic and other problems. The last thing any island needs is more cars.

This decision must be from the heart of Hawaii not the Governor. Let the Judicial process proceed as ruled.

Mahalo For Your Time

Bob Keller

PS please feel free to contact me with any concerns you may have Bob Keller PO Box 230 Waimea, Kauai, Hawaii 96796 Ph# 212-1235, 652-2539

Signed RLK

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Edward J Coppola Jr. and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry will be a means to improve the lives of many local residents. The reasonable cost to move local goods, services and personal vehicles between the islands will enhance family visitation, add another aspect to tourist travel and may result in an economic boom for local businesses. Thank you.

Edward J Coppola Jr.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Kimberly A Martin and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Superferry because the State needs an alternative for interisland travel. Travel by air can be limiting for some. When traveling as a family or group it is at times difficult to get seating together as a unit on a flight. When traveling with pets it is very disconcerting not knowing where your canine or feline 'family member' is, who is caring for it, or if it in direct sunlight on the tarmac, etc.

Mahalo,

Kimberly A Martin

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From:

Stanley Baczynski [sbaczyns@portofsandiego.org] Monday, October 29, 2007 2:32 PM

Sent:

To: Subject: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Support fo the Hawaii Super Ferry

As a frequent visitor to the islands, I support alternative methods of transportation, including the Super Ferry!

Stan Baczynski. Lemon Grove, CA.

From:

kaalas@gmail.com on behalf of Kaala [kaala@manaolana.org]

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Kaala Souza and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe it will open up the islands and support more businesses. I also feel that the reasons for the negative opinions have more to do with superficial selfish not in my backyard reasons more than environmental.

thank you for your consideration.

Kaala Souza

From:

Shelly Nakasone [ShellyN@cbpacific.com]

Sent:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Shelly M. Nakasone and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We need and want options for transportation. Hawaii Superferry is a novel & viable source, which more people than not support. Please listen to the majority & not simply to the vocal few who oppose this. Hawaii Superferry is good for Hawaii!

They were given the authority to go forward & spent \$\$\$\$ to do so. It is not their fault, nor should it be their loss that someone in the government made an error in giving that approval. It should be possible to use non-traditional means to cut through the red tape & make this transportation option available to operate & available for us to utilize. Please do what it necessary within your power to make this happen for all of us constituents that support the Hawaii Superferry.

Thank you for your consideration. Respectfully, Shelly M. Nakasone 95-1039 Loea St. Mililani, HI 96789 (808)626-0076 shellyn@cbpacific.com

From:

W Road Runner [whiraoka001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Monday, October 29, 2007 2:59 PM

To:

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Subject:

Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Wallace Hiraoka and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry will be a boon to the State. It will enable families to travel interisland at a reasonable cost and provide an alternative means of shipping vehicles and goods, and foster tourism and businesses. The ecological arguments against it are specious. Hawaii already has thousands of invasive plants, animals and insects, many of which were intentionally introduced by commercial nurseries, the State Ag Dept. and the University of Hawaii over many decades. More than anyone can possibly control. Nearly all of the plants we see around us are non-native except in remote forests, so what are people talking about? I have helped to control invasives in many places throughout the State. I wouldn't be surprised if most of those objecting have never been out in the field and actually done anything to improve Hawaii's ecology. The Superferry is a huge financial risk made in good faith by capable owners. The State should keep its end of the bargain.

Wallace Hiraoka PO Box 559, Mt View 96771

From:

JOHN MICHAEL WHITE [JMW@HAWAIILAND.COM]

Sent:

Monday, October 29, 2007 12:15 PM

To:

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Subject:

PLEASE SAVE HAWAII SUPERFERRY FROM EXINCTION

Importance:

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October 29, 2007

TO: Chairs Souki, Oshiro, House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance FROM: John Michael White, 225 Queen Street, PH 27A, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 (808) 536-1010

HEARING DATE: Monday, October 29, 2007

HEARING TIME: 1:30 p.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

RE: SAVE HAWAII SUPERFERRY (Re: SB 1, SD 1 relating to transportation)

Aloha chairs Souki and Oshiro,

Please support Hawaii Superferry and save it from extinction!

Most of the good people who oppose Hawaii Superferry are <u>mis-informed</u>, <u>mis-guided</u> folks - who have been <u>mis-led</u> by those

who fear Hawaii Superferry will compete with other existing business operations in Hawaii, particularly: barge shippers, the

airlines, the rental-car companies. The issue is <u>not</u> about the environment, it <u>is</u> about money and business competition.

What's happened here is that the existing businesses who feel threatened by Hawaii Superferry have falsely painted Hawaii

Superferry as a threat to Hawaii's environment and as a threat to whales - both subjects of which we are all sensitive too. IF

this was truly an "environmental" issue <u>every</u> barge, plane, boat, ship travelling inter-island should be put through such rigid

scrutiny, inspections, limitations that have been proposed by the anti-ferry-activists for Hawaii Superferry. But, the activists

didn't demand that, did they? No. They just want to stop Hawaii Superferry because most have been duped into thinking it's

a "threat to Hawaii's environment". Shibai! It's all about money, business competition.

To condemn Hawaii Superferry to extinction would be to deny the majority of the people of Hawaii a wonderful alternative to

travel between islands; an alternative that's both <u>family and small business oriented</u>. I've traveled many times on car ferries

all over the world - and I must say that the ferry mode of transportation is favored by the <u>people of the local commuties</u> who

have been brought closer together by the ferries and particularly families who prefer to travel together, with their own cars.

pets, to visit relatives. Travel on the ferry boat is a wonderful experience for families, particularly children, and destinations

are so much easier to reach quickly by ferries and economically as well. There is no fear of flying on a ferry boat, for sure.

I toured Hawaii Superferry Saturday night at a benefit for the Hawaii International Film Festival. It's a magnificent ship, one

that rivals the very best ferries the world over. Hawaii's people are so fortunate to have the opportunity to experience such

an exciting new mode of transpsport for families, small businesses between islands. Superferry, <u>if it survives your vote</u>, will

help to wonderfully transition our state-of-islands into an island-state. Help unite our Hawaiian islands. Support Supeferry.

Mahalo,

John Michael White JMW:m

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Maurie Feldberg [maurie@kokuacare.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 3:02 PM

To:

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Subject:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Maurie Feldberg and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe that the Superferry will be a wonderful asset to the State of Hawaii in not only providing an alternative for many travelers but more importantly the free flow of goods and services between the islands at a much lower cost and a more effective transport schedule than Matson, Young Brothers & Shame on these current businesses for trying to stymie such an important new opportunity Aloha. for the people of Hawaii.

Shame on those in Hawaii (many of whom are not even Hawaiian!) who clearly show no understanding of true aloha among our island people.

My family and I truly hope that the Superferry will become a longtime reality here in Hawaii.

Aloha

Maurie Feldberg

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From:

Lanettelopez01@aol.com

Sent:

Monday, October 29, 2007 3:01 PM

To: Subject: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Supporter of the Superferry

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Larry Anthony Lopez, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We own a Classic Car, and welcome taking the Superferry to the Neighbor Islands. This ensures same day travel with our car, instead of having to wait 3-4 days via Matson. We are unable to accompany our car, and have to pay a higher price when transporting.

Regards,

Larry Anthony Lopez 47-661 Kam Hwy. Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744 808-239-9408

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Erna Kamibayashi. I was born and raised on Kauai. I am in support of the Hawaii Superferry. I believe that they should be given a chance to operate in Hawaii.

I was thrilled when I boarded the Superferry on the day they came to Kauai to allow people to tour. What I was fascinated with was the handicapped facilities they offer for handicap travelers. I have a handicapped relative sustained with oxygen. To travel by plane would be very difficult. The red tape to work with oxygen is one of the many problems handicapped travelers need to deal with. Another barrier is if they wanted to use the bathroom during the plane flight it would be impossible. The ferry would be a more comfortable uncomplicated way for handicapped people to travel. The bathroom facility is wonderful. Oxygen could be carried right on to the ferry. There is a lot of space to maneuver a wheel chair and the surroundings are comfortable. The ferry offers an opportunity of choice. A choice we are entitled to have. A few very verbal citizens are rallying to try to take away this choice from the majority.

I listened to some of the testimony shown on TV. It was obvious that the few that were in support of the ferry were being attacked by the ones that don't support it. This is why many people would not show up in person to testify because the public sitting there would not allow them to have the freedom to express their views without being verbally attacked. Unfortunately supporters in favor of the ferry have not had anyone strong to rally them together. This does not mean we do not have supporters. The ferry has many supporters. The polls taken by the Honolulu Advertiser attest that there are many supporters.

On Sunday I also saw the news that talked about the rate increases on Young Brothers. A few years ago, I bought a vehicle from Oahu and needed to transport it to Kauai. It cost me almost \$200 to ship it to Kauai and I needed to wait almost six weeks to receive the vehicle. If the Superferry was in operation I would have been able to get the vehicle home to Kauai in a few days for way less money.

It's so much easier to see the negatives versus the positives. Like everything there are two views. You have listened to the views of one side. We that sit on the other side have our views also.

Thank you for giving me an opportunity to speak my side.

Much Aloha,

Erna A. Kamibayashi 4451 Piiwai Place Koloa, Hawaii 96756

From:

art figel [artfigel@msn.com]

Sent:

Monday, October 29, 2007 3:09 PM

To:

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To all concerned,

It is our request that the Supper Ferry be approved. It is in the best interest of all Hawaii Residents that this modern means of transportation be instituted in Hawaii ASAP.

Sincerely Arthur Figel Yoko Figel 311 Ohua Ave. 505E. Honolulu Hawaii, 96815

926 8050

From: Sent:

Bill Sinclair [bill@wcwhawaii.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 2:42 PM

To:

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Subject:

I support the super ferry

I feel the super ferry should be able to operate in Hawaii there are more good than bad things that it will bring Some people do not travel cause they don't want to fly some people cant rent cars they have cars that are fine so why should we be forced to rent we are making payments on the cars we own any way

Why do we have to pay again sounds like a money grubbing way to gorge the people here in Hawaii There are ferry's all over the world I have never herd of one hurting the environment any were These people who say it does need to get proof from some were that has many of these ferry's operating and show us what its doing to hurt there Environment

I have never herd such a thing only now show us proof please

Are we going to stop oil tankers now nuclear submarines high speed yachts fast moving tug boats We have all this running all over Hawaii stop all that also if your so concern about our environment We have old slow boats here in Hawaii that leak oil and fuel in our ocean so many old boats are rotting at the docks in Honolulu harbors every were just go take a look you will see You will see oil leaking around them look at Pearl Harbor once it was a crystal clear body of water with white sand how do you think it was named not now

Why are you picking on the Super Ferry nothing better to do stop all the boats that leak oil in our Ocean before you hassle the super ferry and go find a life or SOMTHING

William Sinclair Kailua Hawaii Oahu sinclairbilly@yahoo.com

From: Sent:

Denis Salle [denissalle@gmail.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 3:08 PM

To:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Denis Salle and I fully support Hawaii Superferry.

I had been involved with the project as a graduate business student since the early planning stage and it saddens me to see how a perfectly viable and sound business endeavor with great leadership and funding is being destroyed before our very eyes. I have very little hope left that this project will survive the legislative and environmental hurdles put before them, but I still think that this state will realize it has too much to loose if the Superferry doesn't get to sail. I will spare you a long list of pros and a very short list of possible negative impacts. I tend to think that the environmental concerns voiced by some groups are only the tools they chose to prevent the Superferry's service for other, less defined and more personal reasons.

Sincerely,

Denis Salle 3919 Sierra Dr 808-7391416

From:

JJTravels@aol.com

Sent:

Monday, October 29, 2007 3:19 PM

To:

hsewrittenonlysbtestimony

Subject:

super ferry

Dear Committee

I live on the mainland and only got word of the hearing tonight.... We support the super ferry... have used similar ones in other countries and they are wonderful.... We can not understand who is behind trying to put this wonderful service out of business.... It is a crying shame than a few mindless prejudicial people can ruin many peoples businesses and lives over such foolishness.... Please give your support to the Super Ferry we are giving the ferry our complete support. We love the islands and come there twice a year and would use the service....

Thanks so much,

Joanne and Jerry Waylett P.O. BOX 940 DANVILLE, CA. 94526

From: Sent:

Kenny Ray [KennyRay@hawaii.rr.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 3:08 PM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Superferry

To:

Subject:

To whom it may concern,

I AM FOR THE SUPERFERRY...

Kenneth Rapozo 4937 Nonou rd. apt.B Kapaa, 96748 822-3335

From:

Lanettelopez01@aol.com

Sent:

Monday, October 29, 2007 3:11 PM

To:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Lanette Ann Lopez, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We have a child, and travel through the Airport has proven very difficult.

Traveling on the Superferry would not only make our day easier, but we would also have the benefit of traveling with our car, already loaded with car seat, and stroller in tow.

Regards,

Lanette Ann Lopez 47-661 Kam Hwy. Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744 808-239-9109

From:

Lanettelopez01@aol.com

Sent:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

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Regards,

Eric Paul Lopez 47-661 Kam Hwy. Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744 808-239-9109

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Teckla Eleanor Lopez, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We own a Classic Car, and welcome taking the Superferry to the Neighbor Islands. This ensures same day travel with our car, instead of having to wait 3-4 days via Matson. We are unable to accompany our car, and have to pay a higher price when transporting.

Regards,

Teckla Eleanor Lopez 47-661 Kam Hwy. Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744 808-239-9408

From:

Lanettelopez01@aol.com

Sent:

Monday, October 29, 2007 3:06 PM

To:

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Subject:

Supporter of the Superferry in Hawaii

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Regards,

Larry Anthony Lopez 47-661 Kam Hwy. Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744 808-239-9408

From:

Pascua, Al (GE Healthcare) [Albert.Pascua@med.ge.com]

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Monday, October 29, 2007 11:18 AM

To:

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Subject:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Albert Pascua and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

In favor of the Hawaii Superferry to operate while environmental impact statement is in progress.

I have both business and pleasure interest in the Hawaii Superferry. I service Medical Diagnostic Imaging equipment on most of the Hawaii islands and this will provide another means of transportation. As for pleasure, I enjoy riding my motorcycle and being able to ride on another island would be a great monthly experience.

The Hawaii Superferry came to the island with the initial ok the operate, please allow the Hawaii Superferry to operate while the environmental impact statement is in progress. The message sent to the commercial industry is that Hawaii is not worth starting a business in Hawaii due to politics.



Albert Pascua

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stasey lee [kananipuaala@gmail.com]

Sent: To: Monday, October 29, 2007 3:13 PM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony

Subject:

superferry has my support!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

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

I BELIEVE THE SUPERFERRY IS A GOOD IDEA BECAUSE ITS EASIER FOR FAMILIES TRAVELING TO OTHER ISLANDS. I LIVE ON OAHU BUT TRAVEL MONTHLY TO THE BIG ISLAND TO SEE MY SISTER SO THAT SHE CAN SPEND TIME WITH MY KIDS.

ITS MORE CONVENIENT FOR ME ON THE SUPERFERRY BECAUSE THERE'S THE FREEDOM TO STAND UP, AND WALK AROUND. ALSO THERE'S A FAMILY AREA FOR THE KIDS. IM A SINGLE MOM SO IT WOULD BE EASIER FOR ME.

THE FACT OF GETTING TO TAKE MY CAR IS A GREAT FACTOR ALSO. THAT WAY I WOULDN'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT RENTING A CAR OR HAVING TO BORROW MY SISTER'S CAR FOR THE TIME IM HERE.

SO YES, I BELIEVE THE SUPERFERRY SHOULD BE ALLOWED.

STASEY K.LEE 99-171 KOHOMUA ST. APT.E AIEA HI 96701 (808)3883165

From:

Lord, Wade @ Honolulu [Wade.Lord@cbre.com]

Sent:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Wade Lord and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I am a resident of Kauai and have watched with interest and a certain amount of sadness as this saga has played out publically. I support the Superferry based on the following rationale: 1) It proceeded with an investment of enormous scale, in good faith based upon a prior court ruling and with State DOT assurances. 2) Never before has an EIS been required for harbor users. I don't have a problem with the requirement as I'm confident that the findings will be favorable, especially in comparison to current harbor users such as cruise ships, barges, and military vessels. What bothers me is the timing. This should have been required long before the maiden voyage. It's patently unfair for the requirement to come after the fact. 3) Whale avoidance measures are much greater than those found on other commercial vessels. In fact, friends that live in Juneau Alaska are mystified by this argument, as they currently have three high speed ferries servicing their coastal communities for several years, without incident. The waters around Juneau and surrounding communities in Alaska are home to the humpback whales, killer whales, etc. 4) Concerns about traffic impacts are not based in analysis. The total number of added cars to any one island between voyages is negligible as a percentage of the total resident cars of a given island. Numbers bandied about do not factor in the net difference of cars leaving a particular island on each voyage. 5) With no program to inspect other interisland barge and ship service from unintentionally carrying pests between islands, it is unfair to single out the Superferry for additional requirements beyond the inspections systems that they have already put in place, which I am guessing are greater than any other commercial harbor user. In an effort to keep this testimony concise, I will stop here and I request that you look favorably and fairly upon this entity as it relates to the above noted house bill. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this testimony further. Mahalo for your consideration.

Wade Lord 37 Lihau Street Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii 96746 808.652.1912

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From:

Palama, Jeff [Jeff.Palama@westhawaiiconcrete.com]

Sent: To: Monday, October 29, 2007 3:21 PM

Subject:

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Oubject.

Support Superferry

Dear Chairs Souiki and Oshiro,

My name is Jeffrey Kealoha Palama

I am strongly supporting the Superferry. I think it would create a lot of well needed jobs to the individuals that qualify. It would also give the local people another option of travel besides costly air fares, and car rentals. Being born and raised on Kauai, I was there when both hurricane Iwa and Iniki hit our island. All we could hope for then was to get help, supplies, and building materials. The ferry would be awesome to have in a time when disaster strikes. We can only hope and pray that no other natural disasters will strike our beautiful islands again......but lets be realistic and prepared if it does.

Jeffrey K Palama

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