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# TESTIMONY OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Governor's Message No. 9 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Island Burial Council, Island of Oahu, Gubernatorial Nominee Angela Leimaile Ehia-Quitevis, for a term to expire 6-30-2008

#### BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

October 25, 2007

It is with pleasure that the Department of Land and Natural Resources recommend to the Senate, the confirmation of the appointment of Angela Leimaile Ehia-Quitevis to the Island Burial Council, Island of Oahu. The Burial Councils were created under Section 6E-43.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) for the Islands of Hawaii, Maui/Lanai, Molokai, Oahu and Kauai/Niihau to implement Section 6E-43, HRS relating to prehistoric and historic burial sites.

The Burial Councils are comprised of representatives from specific geographic regions and representatives of developer/large property owners pursuant to Section 13-300-22(a), Hawaii Administrative Rules. Ms. Ehia-Quitevis was nominated to serve as regional representative, Waialua District for the Island Burial Council, Island of Oahu. If confirmed it will be her first term on the Oahu Island Burial Council.

Ms. Ehia-Quitevis serves on many Hawaiian organization like Kahunana – Families of the Land Working Group, Na Lei Na'auao Native Hawaiian Charter School Alliance, Kanu 'o Ka 'Aina Learning Ohana, Haluau Ku Mana – Mana Maoli, Aloha Aina Society, Halau Wanana, Friends of Kukaniloko, Na Ki'i Ke Aho, and Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawa. Of note, Ms. Ehia-Quitevis won the 2006 Kalanianaole Award for Outstanding Hawaiian Civic Club member. Ms. Ehia-Quitevis recently worked as a cultural monitor for the archaeological consulting firm Garcia and Associates.

The Department greatly appreciates this Committee's consideration of Angela Leimaile Ehia-Quitevis and strongly recommends her confirmation to the Oahu Island Burial Council. LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR OF HAWAII





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# TESTIMONY OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Governor's Message No. 10 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Island Burial Council, Island of Oahu, Gubernatorial Nominee Angela Leimaile Ehia-Quitevis, for a term to expire 6-30-2012

# BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

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RATEA THE HAWAIIAN-ENVIRONMENTAL ALLIANCE

To: Senator Tokuda and Confirmation Committee Members
Date: October 25, 2007
Re: Strong Support for the Confirmation of Angela Leimaile Ehia-Quitevis, Thursday, Oct. 25, 2007 at 2:45 in Room 225

Protecting Aloha Senators, Native KAHEA: The Hawaiian-Environmental Alliance strongly supports the Hawaiian confirmation of Leimaile Quitevis to the O'ahu Burial Council. She is extremely qualified to serve in this position. traditional and KAHEA is an alliance of Native Hawaiian cultural practitioners, customary conservationists, scientists, and other concerned citizens working to rights and protect the Native Hawaiian culture and the natural resources upon which it depends. our fragile environment We support Ms. Quitevis's confirmation because she is a respected Native Hawaiian practitioner and an ethical public servant. We have

worked closely with Ms. Quitevis over the last several years and found her to be extremely knowledgeable about Native Hawaiian cultural practice, history, and geneology. We have also witnessed her integrity and upstanding moral character first hand. She is a genuine advocate for the Iwi Kupuna of O'ahu.

As kia'i to Wahiawa, Ms. Quitevis demonstrated her dedication to protecting the Native Hawaiian culture by risking her own health and reputation to document the many previously-unknown cultural features throughout Lihu'e. Thanks in part to her efforts the Haleau'au Heiau is now well-documented and protected from destruction.

Ms. Quitevis is also a proponent of public participation and transparent decision-making. She continues to help educate the public about the cultural history of O'ahu and the state and federal laws that protect and perpetuate Native Hawaiian culture.

We look forward to continuing our work with Ms. Quitevis as a member of the O'ahu Island Burial Council. We strongly encourage this committee to support her confirmation.

Mahalo,

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Marti Townsend Program Director

LATE

Date: October 25, 2007

To: Sen. Tokuda, Sen. English and Members of the Committee on Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs

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October 25, 2007, 2:45 pm. Conference Room 224,

From: Kyle Kajihiro

Subject: STRONG SUPPORT for the confirmation of Angela Leimaile Ehia-Quitevis to the O'ahu Burial Council

#### Aloha Kakou

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. My name is Kyle Kajihiro. I am the Program Director for the AFSC Hawaii.

I strongly support the confirmation of Angela Leimaile Ehia-Quitevis to the O'ahu Burial Council.

I have had the great honor of working with Leimaile in her capacity as a cultural monitor (kia'i) for the Army Stryker Brigade construction projects in the Lihu'e (Schofield Barracks area).

Leimaile is deeply knowledgeable about the history, culture and genealogy of O'ahu. I have been impressed by her integrity, commitment and diligence. She takes her kuleana extremely seriously. She helped to identify and preserve numerous sites including possible burials in the proposed project area.

I believe that she will be a vigilant and thoughtful member of the burial council. The iwi kupuna of O'ahu need her as an advocate. I strongly encourage you to confirm her nomination to the O'ahu Burial Council. Thank you for much for your consideration.