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My name is Bradley M. Wilson and I strongly support the Hawaii Super ferry. I am an Architect and have lived a wonderful life in this state of Hawaii. I believe the Super ferry is a great addition to these Islands.

I know the opportunities the super ferry will bring are enormous, they include: improved trade between islands, family's taking vacations, improved shipping of cargo such as: construction materials, food, vegetables, Hawaiian made products. The success of the Super ferry will determine the future of other businesses coming to invest in Hawaii and is needed to provide an alternative to travel and shipping goods between the islands.

Do not let the claims of environmental issues cloud the real value of the Super ferry, there are many ships and barges that travel between the islands, why are the environmentalists claming this is the only destructive ship to travel these Islands – other ships and barges can hit a whale as well? They have another agenda, they are being supported by the companies like Young Bros, and Matson who do not want competition for shipping goods, and rental car companies who also do not want competition.

#### Please help make the Super Ferry a reality with minimal operating restrictions during the EIS process so it can rehire the local people back, pay its bills and be a viable business during the EIS process

I live at 2106 Damon St. Honolulu, HI, 96822, my contact number is 808-203-8308.

Aloha,

If you have any questions, comments or need any additional information, please contact me.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Gary M. Bland and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I want to freely go between the islands in order to make my life much easier traveling through out the islands.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Sally Lloyd and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Hawaii needs alternate transportation. This state's transportation system is very broken. Look at our freeways on Oahu. Come On People.

Sally Lloyd

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Jeffrey Alves and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe the Superferry offers the people of Hawaii an important and beneficial mode of transportation throughout the islands. There are certainly environmental issues as there are with any transportation alternative, new or existing. To not allow the Superferry to prove it's benefit and what I believe is a low environmental impact is a disservice to the people of Hawaii and our visitors. I encourage the legislature to grant permission for the Superferry to immediately begin full operations and if necessary concurrently complete an environmental impact study along with open minded and reasonable recommendations for continued operation in light of environmental or other issues.



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The House of Representatives is holding a public hearing on the Senate bill at 1:30 p.m. today (10/29) in the capitol auditorium. We need your testimony for the hearing. A sample email is provided at the bottom of this page.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Peggy Redden-Canon* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I want the choice of being able to take my family and car to the neighbor islands. My daughter is in high school on Kauai and our schools would be better able to compete in sports if we could take our own supplies with us as well as our own vehicles. The children of the neighbor islands are at such a disadvantage. The SuperFerry would open up so many opportunities for the kids. Please give us a choice! I have personally looked forward to the Superferry for a very long time. It would be great to be able to afford to see my family more often, and family is everything to me.

Peggy Redden-Canon

P.O. Box 684

Kalaheo, HI 96741



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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mitchell Kanekoa III and I strongly support Hawaii SUPERFERRY.

I believe the SUPERFERRY is one of the best things that have come to Hawaii. Please do not let a handful of rude activists destroy Hawaii's dream of traveling from island to island along with their vehicles. I believe if we had a poll today and everyone in the state could vote, more than the majority would vote to KEEP the SUPERFERRY. The SUPERFERRY creates new jobs and encourages more tourists. Our number one industry in Hawaii is tourism, so we must think of the future of our children and grandchildren. If we expect our heirs to continue their lives in the greatest state in the Nation, we need to make life easier for the people of Hawaii and create more jobs and opportunities. This is a democratic nation and we must not let a few narrow minded individuals dictate the future of Hawaii. This is AMERICA, the land of FREEDOM and not a third world country under the rule of a dictator. Allow us our freedom as Americans to pursue our dreams for the state of Hawaii. Save our SUPERFERRY!!!!!

Mitchell Kanekoa III 99-540 B Kahilinai Pl, Aiea, HI 96701

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Aloha,

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### Aloha,

Attention: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance Date: Monday, October 29, 2007 Time & Location: 1:30 pm Auditorium, State Capitol

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I would like to voice my full support of the Hawaii Superferry. Please allow the Superferry to run its Interisland ferry service in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

This alternate affordable mode of transportation will allow my family and me to travel to the neighbor islands to visit family and friends. This type of transportation will also allow our church youth group to attend and participate in activities there.

Kirsten Kainoa Customer Support Representative

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Roberta Torralva and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Hawaii needs this change. It would help us with transporting goods that we cannot take on the airplane from island to island at a faster and at a reasonable rate and help keep others business like Matson & Airlines from over pricing us. There are so many other large vessels in our Ocean why not pick on them too!

Roberta L. Torralva Dept. BFS-RPA/Tax Maps 1000 Uluohia Street, Suite 206 Kapolei, Hawaii 96707 <u>RTorralva@honolulu.gov</u> 808-768-3164

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### PLEASE GET OUR SUPERFERRY RUNNING!!!!!!!!!!!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Susan L. Heinz and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am in support of the Hawaii Superferry and the Bill that will permit inter-island ferry service in Hawaii while an environmental Impact Statement is being conducted.

I understand that there are two main concerns that some community members have raised that the ferry operations may have significant impact; marine mammal collision and the spread of invasive species. I have been in the vocational field of environmental review and research for more than 20 years and agree that these two issues are significant but can be mitigated. I believe the EIS process will identify and require mitigations reasonable to the community and Hawaii Superferry.

Clearly, the process for conducting business in Hawaii broke down with this example. An exception must be made to Hawaii Superferry - the risk of this business leaving Hawaii will impact so many facets of future Hawaii business, employment, societal benefits and tourism.

The last thing I want to see or hear about is a collision between a ferry and a whale - I would like to suggest a quick process mitigation for avoiding this risk be implemented and monitored by a third party (at the cost of Hawaii Superferry) on each voyage. Invasive species monitoring, as I understand, will be monitored, but it is really the kuliana of individuals to be aware of what may be transported. There are currently many other transportation methods that could allow for species transport that do not provide the level of mitigation that Hawaii Superferry is planning. After-all, invasive species are already being identified on each island without the Superferry assistance.

The Hawaii Superferry is quite important to life in the Islands; it provides a method of transportation that does not require community to fly, provides the ability to be on the water, allow inter-island tourism and finally provides one more resource for disaster preparedness. There must be great support for the Superferry - I cant imagine a company investing a great sum of money, gaining support from State and Federal organization, if they did not research and confirm that they would have the business to support it.

Regards,

Susan L. Heinz P.O. Box 5343 Hilo, HI 96720-8343 16-470 Oliana St. Keaau, HI 96749 808.982.9130

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Cc: Brendan Ong

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Constance M. M. Williams, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I attend an old Hawaiian church. Many Kapuna who also attend, are excited that they would have another means of travel to visit relatives & homelands on other isles. Some cannot fly for medical reasons; others do not fly because of fear. The superferry is an alternative for them, as well as farmers, vendors, & others to travel throughout Hawaii Nei.

Constance M. M. Williams

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808.294.4242 For prayer requests, go to: <u>http://kupaakani.tripod.com</u>

From:Lilia Kane [kaneb002@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Monday, October 29, 2007 10:07 AMTo:hsewrittenonlysbtestimonySubject:Super Ferry

To House of Representatives.

My name is *Lilia Kane*. I am a Hawaii resident since Jan 2005, and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry because the islands need inter-island transportation other than airplanes for business, or personal purposes. I came from Washington State, where the ferry is part of everyone's life. I know very well of all the advantages that this kind of transportation brings to workers and business owners, and it is a great tourist attraction, therefore, I have no objection in allowing the SuperFerry offer those advantages to the people of Hawaii, especially because Hawaii's main industry is tourism.

I would also like to state that I refuse to accept laws made by lobbyists through the court, and not by the people of Hawaii, through our corresponding legislative body. Laws that support lobbyists only benefit them, their industries, and their pockets, while the people affected by them –usually the whole community, pay for the consequences. (that is what Business books say). Please do not let that happen in Hawaii. The islands need to rise up to their level of greatness, and the SuperFerry is in accord with that goal. Our Governor Lingle did not make a mistake in supporting such infrastructure, in the best interest of the people she represents. Please do not let environmentalists groups speak in the name of the majority. Nobody has appointed them to do that. Before you take any measure against the superferry, please investigate more closely what are the real losses of those who are investing so much money in blocking it, and why.

Whales are important; alternatives should be established to protect them without affecting the people of Hawaii, who are more valuable than whales.

Lilia Kane

47024 C Hui Iwa Place,

Kaneohe, HI

96744

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Judy Sakurai and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I support the Hawaii Superferry because it will provide alternative transportation for the residents of Hawaii and tourists* 

Jakurai lida

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PHONE NUMBER - (808) 951-1768

Philip Foti, M.D. Mollie Foti 1343 Mokulua Drive Kailua, HI 96734 Phone: 261-5550 October 29, 2007

House Committees: Transportation and Finance

Special House Session Monday, October 29, 2007, 1:30 p.m. Auditorium Hawaii State Capitol Building

Re: SB1 and SD1, relating to transportation

Attention Chairmen Souki and Oshiro

We are writing in support of the Superferry.

Behind all the rhetoric of the last month lies an inescapable fact: the Superferry will bring change to all our islands, but the changes will be of great benefit to **all** in many ways not yet understood by those who so adamantly oppose it.

When the furor dies down our neighbor island friends who fear the worst will find that the worst really won't happen. Instead, they will have opportunities yet undreamed of. Imagine a system whereby patients who now must be medivaced by air to Oahu hospitals at great expense can instead be sent in an Emergency Medical Vehicle directly from a neighbor island hospital to an Oahu medical center—a seamless transition with state of the art care all the way. Would this not be a wonderful improvement on a cumbersome system that is both enormously costly and none too efficient?

We are sure that there are many, many more opportunities that will present themselves, but if the ferry is sent away untested, who will ever know?

Please, allow the great State of Hawaii to move forward with a transportation system that virtually every other multi-island state or nation enjoys

Thank you.

Philip and Mollie Foti

October 29, 2007

House Committee on Transportation House Committee on Finance

Re: Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro;

With this letter I wish to inform you of my strong support for the Hawaii Superferry. This is a much needed addition to the State making it easier for residents, and tourists alike, to travel between the Islands, as well as bringing considerable and much needed revenue that would otherwise be lost. I am in full agreement that we need to protect our magnificent sacred waters and the sea life existing therein. After giving that issue careful consideration, I fail to see how the environment will be detrimentally impacted by the Superferry. This is, in my opinion, a win, win situation for the people and the State. Please consider my testimony when discussing this issue.

Respectfully,

Jill Briley 3411 Wilcox Road I-102 Lihue, HI 96766 ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance DATE: Monday, October 29, 2007 TIME: 1:30 p.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

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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 Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Michael Kohn.

It is unfortunate that many who oppose the Hawaii Superferry associate with it further residential and commercial development. It is no secret that land developers have successfully argued for decades, that agriculture lands that are not being used should be made available for construction. This trend will continue unless agriculture lands are indeed being used to grow crops.

Today, thousands of acres of agriculture land are not being used in our islands. To turn them into profitable farms, growers and shippers need access to markets. Access has to be fast, reliable, frequent and quality preserving. Hawaii agriculture can not compete on cost in world markets and not even here in Hawaii. It can only compete on quality and reliability. The Hawaii Superferry could contribute to a sound logistical infrastructure that is so essential to help Hawaii agriculture grow in our island state.

I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

Sincerely,

Michael Kohn Hawaii Fruit Company PO Box 31264 Honolulu, HI 96820 Tel: 808-834-0496

Honolulu, Oct 24, 2002

### CATHY-ANNE YOUNG 2736 Pu'uhonua Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822 PuaHopena@aol.com

October 29, 2007

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Cathy-Anne Young and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

-It encourages a healthy economic growth.

-It generates better and competitive rates with other inter-island transportation allowing opportunities for more affordable travel.

-This travel alternative relieves the consumers of the long-time air travel monopoly. -It's about time.

Sincerely,

There your

Cathy-Anne Young 2736 Puuhonua Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96822 808-368-0819

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Dannette M. Warren and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I have been a resident of the State of Hawaii for over 32 years and have been living on the Big Island for almost 17 of those years. The Superferry will provide a much needed mode of transportation between the islands - one that is sorely needed by outer island residents and businesses. We know that this service can be a very successful addition to our island as similar vessels provide successful ferry service between islands and between islands and their nearby continents throughout the world.

Although I understand the importance of an EIS for the improvements to commercial harbors, the loss of this service will be a huge loss to the greater majority of the people of Hawaii. This bill will provide a means to establish service while providing for certain minimum conditions prior to completion of an EIS.

I fully support the passage of SB1, SD1, Relating to Transportation.

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Philip Foti, M.D. Mollie Foti 1343 Mokulua Drive Kailua, HI 96734 Phone: 261-5550 October 29, 2007

House Committees: Transportation and Finance

Special House Session Monday, October 29, 2007, 1:30 p.m. Auditorium Hawaii State Capitol Building

Re: SB1 and SD1, relating to transportation

Attention Chairmen Souki and Oshiro

We are writing in support of the Superferry.

Behind all the rhetoric of the last month lies an inescapable fact: the Superferry will bring change to all our islands, but the changes will be of great benefit to **all** in many ways not yet understood by those who so adamantly oppose it.

When the furor dies down our neighbor island friends who fear the worst will find that the worst really won't happen. Instead, they will have opportunities yet undreamed of. Imagine a system whereby patients who now must be medivaced by air to Oahu hospitals at great expense can instead be sent in an Emergency Medical Vehicle directly from a neighbor island hospital to an Oahu medical center—a seamless transition with state of the art care all the way. Would this not be a wonderful improvement on a cumbersome system that is both enormously costly and none too efficient?

We are sure that there are many, many more opportunities that will present themselves, but if the ferry is sent away untested, who will ever know?

Please, allow the great State of Hawaii to move forward with a transportation system that virtually every other multi-island state or nation enjoys

Thank you.

Philip and Mollie Foti

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Judy Sakurai and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Hawaii Superferry because it will provide alternative transportation for the residents of Hawaii and tourists

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Darlene Johnson and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Born and raised on Oahu and later relocated to the Big Island and now Maui, we have seen how limited our mode of transportation is between islands. I have loved ones on each of the islansd, both old and young, that will benefit from such a ferry. The older ones that have to bring their oxygen tanks and wheelchairs, the young ones that are participating in competitive sports with their equipment and the luxury of taking our vans have excited all of us and we look forward to the comfort and vistas that the Hawaii Superferry will afford us.

Darlene Johnson

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Charles Traylor, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

My wife, Corinne, and I live in Honolulu and work for a Dallas based online business. We came here about 2 months ago. We moved here, really looking forward to being able to visit the neighboring islands on the Superferry, because we do not like to fly. The Superferry is getting a bad deal. The Courts here ought to be ashamed. Nevertheless, the Legislature has an opportunity to do the right thing.

Please allow the Superferry to operate, unfettered, while an environmental impact statement is processed. The arguments and protests against the Superferry appear to me to be at best, misguided, and at worst a malicious, probably illegal and an overtly unfair restraint on free trade. There are obviously several sizable business interests in Hawaii, which would benefit from "sinking" the Superferry, and I suspect they may be discreetly attempting to achieve this through so called environmental impact issues.

Regarding endangerment to whales and other sea creatures by the fast moving Superferry, is there not radar, which can detect these creatures and then execute avoidance maneuvers?

Regarding traffic, there are almost 140,000 people on Maui, almost 60,000 on Kauai and more than 162,000 on the Big Island. I am guessing that these populations represent an aggregate of possibly 100,000 vehicles. The Superferry has a car carrying capacity of less than 300 vehicles. Or, if loaded with 28 forty foot long trucks, it will only carry 65 cars. That is hardly an environmental impact of significant proportions.

Regarding the propagation of unwanted plant and animal life into unwanted neighboring island environments, consider birds. Bird droppings have been largely responsible for

making Hawaii what it is and will continue to shape the biodiversity here. Seeds and larvae, distributed by bird droppings to the neighboring islands, dwarf whatever similar transfers might take place by the Superferry. If anyone is REALLY concerned about this sort of environmental impact, why have they not already taken aim at Matson or any number of the cruise ship companies, whose vessels call on the ports of the neighboring islands?

Best regards,

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is George Cabanting and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I feel that the ferry will open up commerce between the Islands for individuals as well as Companies.

As a small business, I would welcome the ability to purchase items on Oahu and transport them back in my own car rather than pay shipping fees.

This would also allow both tourists and locals the ability to see the Islands by water rather than incur the costs of a cruise. It is unfortunate that the press shows irate locals and ignores the majority of people and businesses who support the ferry for the business possibilities. The State has already invested funds, employees have been laid off, due to a minority of people. I feel strongly that a compromise can be reached to allow service to start while still doing an impact study. I personally do not see the ferry causing any more impact than the cruise & cargo ships which are the lifeblood of the Hawaiian Islands.

Thank you.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Frank Liu. An alternative to commercial airlines for inter-island travel is long overdue for the state of Hawaii. Travelers would benefit from alternative schedules that a ferry would offer with the opportunity to bring their vehicles with them. This would not only be a benefit to citizens of Hawaii but would promote a new and exciting way for tourists to travel between islands without having to rent additional vehicles to see the sites. Since tourism is a staple of the Hawaiian economy, anything that benefits tourists and the Hawaiian economy will ultimately benefit the citizenry. I am an indirect owner of substantial acreage in Hawaii and strongly support the superferry.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Deanna Spooner and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. The islands especially the neighbor islands are in need of additional methods of interisland travel and transport. This will allow many Native Hawaiians and well as transplants to visit other islands more economically by being able to take their automobiles rather than rent and transport home purchases rather than have them shipped by The service will provide a boost to the local economy and the state as well.

Concerns expressed by neighbor island residents regarding invasive species, etc., are issues that currently exist with freight carriers, airlines and private boaters. Any controls that are in place for these services can be applied to the ferry. As far as concerns for overloading roads etc., what's new? Maybe it will provide the

impetus for Hilo politicians to remember the West side exists and provides 70% of their

And finally, regarding danger to the whale population: I believe that everything reasonable should be done to protect them. I know that ferry systems run in other parts of the world and the U S that deal with similar situations and we never hear about the ongoing collisions of whales (or other species) and ferries. More likely it is the recreational craft that go out of their way to encounter whales, manatees (Florida), etc. and end up having a negative impact.

I totally support the ferry operating while the environmental impact study is conducted and hope that the concerns of all citizens of Hawaii can be dealt with to the highest level of satisfaction and realism.

Sincerely,

Deanna L. Spooner

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Anne Hunter and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Anne Hunter

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My name is Crystal Nicholson and I would like you to vote yes to have the Superferry continue interisland ferry service. My mother and father are both handicapped and in motor wheel chairs. My mother is unable to fly and has been Oahu bound for over 15 years because of this. My father is unable to walk because of a damaged knee and will not fly without my mother. We were planning to drive my vehicle with their wheel chairs to the ferry so they would be able to travel to all the islands again. My parents have not visited the islands in many years and this was a great opportunity for them. It saddens me that some individuals are unable to look beyond to see the major benefit this would bring to all the islands and individuals that are unable to visit due to restrictions.

Thank you for your time.

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#### Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is IAN FOO and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. In Life we want CHOICES. Listen to the SILENT MAJORITY, do not listen to those who have lots of time on their hands to picket and protest while the rest of us are working our behinds off to take care of our families. No one is forcing the protesters to use the service, but they should not stop those that want to. Worse of all, hiding behind environmental issues is hypocritical and certainly damages the strong environmental attitude we have here in Hawaii. The real issue is that there are entrenched transportation business interests that hare deathly afraid of competition. I hope politicians can see through the "rent-a-mob" strategy employed here, because the taxpayer certainly can !

If Superferry is NOT meant to be it will die a natural death because the service they provide is not in demand thus financially not viable. Let the market sort itself out !! Thank you.

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#### October 29, 2007

#### **Support for the Superferry**

I, David Beattie fully support the Superferry project.

Hawaii has needed a reliable surface transportation option, not only for goods but for personal use, for many years. For almost thirty years the residents of Hawaii have hoped a viable surface system of transportation would be developed and implemented in Hawaii's waters. Now that the system is here and ready to sail, special interest groups who would now face competition in the movement of people and goods have enlisted the aid of environmental groups to destroy any chance for a ferry system. They use an arsenal of scare tactics to plant the fears of change in the minds of a relatively vocal few in order to kill a needed link between the islands

With thirty years of dreams with reach it is now up to you, the legislators of Hawaii to step up and do what is best for the majority of the residents of Hawaii who favor this option.

Let the Superferry sail.

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