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

Governor Message 288 - Submitting for Consideration To The Kaua'i/Ni'ihau Island Burial Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, Sandra P. Quinsaat

BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

April 3, 2008

It is with pleasure that the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) recommends Senate confirmation of the appointment of Sandra P. Quinsaat to the Kaua'i/Ni'ihau Island Burial Council.

The Island Burial Councils were established under Chapter 6E-43.5, Hawai'i Revised Statues, to determine the preservation in place or relocation of previously identified native Hawaiian burial sites and to determine Hawaiian cultural and lineal descendancy claims for specific burials.

State law requires that Island Burial Councils be established for Hawai'i, Maui/Lanai, Molokai, Oahu and Kaua'i/Ni'ihau islands, and be comprised of representatives from specific geographic regions and representatives of developer/large property owners. Sandra P. Quinsaat was nominated to serve as the Koloa District representative on the Kaua'i/Ni'ihau Island Burial Council. If confirmed, Sandra P. Quinsaat will serve until June 30, 2012.

Sandra P. Quinsaat is currently the Project Manager for the Engineering Division of the Grand Hyatt Kaua'i Resort and Spa. Ms. Quinsaat was born and raised on Kaua'i and has an extensive background in Hawaiian culture. The Department notes that Sandra P. Quinsaat currently serves on the Kaua'i/Ni'ihau Island Burial Council and is a highly valued member of the Council.

The Department greatly appreciates your consideration of Sandra P. Quinsaat and strongly recommends her confirmation to the Kaua'i/Ni'ihau Island Burial Council.

testimony

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Attn. Sen. Jill N. Tokuda, Chair

Attn. Sen. J. Kalani English, Vice Chair

Hearing Date: Thursday, April 3,2008

Time: 2:45pm

Place: Conference Room 224

Aloha.

I write in strong support of the following people to serve on their Island Burial Council. Please confirm their nomination.

GM 276 - KEKAMAIKAIKAMAIKALANI HELM, for Moloka'i

GM 277 - ELROY K.M. MALO, for Moloka'i

GM 281 - MICHELLE KANANIONAPUA AYAU PESCAIA, for Moloka'i

GM 271 - KU H. KAHAKALAU, for Hawaii island

GM 453 - JOHN B. NAEOLE, for Maui and Lana'i

GM 286 - SANDRA P. QUINSAAT, for Kaua'i

GM 283 - SCOTT KIKILOI, for O'ahu

GM 284 and 285 - HINALEIMOANA K.K. WONG, for O'ahu

Please approve their appointments. I know they will serve well.

Aloha,

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