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Senate Committee on Energy and Environment

Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Environmental Council, Gubernatorial Nominees

GM 472 – ROBERT A. KING For a Term to Expire 6-30-2012

GM 473 – WADE L. LORD For a Term to Expire 6-30-2011

GM 474 - CHRISTOPHER B. STEELE For a Term to Expire 6-30-2011

Testimony of Katherine Puana Kealoha Interim Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control

Thursday, April 3, 2008, 2:45 p.m. Room 414

1	The Department of Health strongly supports the appointments of Mr. Robert King, Mr.
2	Wade Lord, and Mr. Christopher Steele to the Environmental Council.
3	Mr. King has served on the Council for over three years and served as Chairman for the
4	last six months. He is a member of the Annual Report and Rules Committees. He represents
5	engineering interests and is from Maui.
6	Mr. Lord has served on the Council as an interim member for the last six months
7	representing Real Estate interests and is from Kauai. During this time, Mr. Lord has been

involved with the Legislation and Education/Cultural Committees.

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1	Mr. Steele has served on the Council as an interim member for the last six months,
2	represents environmental compliance, and is from Oahu. During this time, he has been involved
3	with the Exemption List Committee.
4	All of their combined experience will help the Council's efforts to educate the public
5	about environmental and cultural issues in Hawaii.
6	Members of the Council represent education, business, and environmental disciplines and
7	professions such as the natural and social sciences, the humanities, architecture, engineering,
8	public health, planning, agriculture, real estate, visitor industry, construction, media, and
9	community and environmental groups.
10	Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



KAUA'I Chamber

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Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office FAX: 1-800-586-6659 April 2, 2008, 1:00 p.m.

April 2, 2008

Honorable Senator Ron Menor Chair, Senate Committee on Energy and Environment State Capitol, Room 208 Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Menor and members:

RE: Governor's Message #473 and Letter of Support for Mr. Wade Lord, Nominee, Environmental Council

On behalf of the Kaua'i Chamber of Commerce, I am submitting this letter in SUPPORT of Mr. Wade Lord to the Environmental Council. The Kaua'i Chamber of Commerce represents over 450 members that comprise of 87% Kaua'i's small businesses.

I have had many opportunities to interact with Mr. Lord and have found him to be a person of high integrity and moral character. Wade has proven to be an excellent business and community leader who is involved in many aspects of Kaua'i at a critical time when our island needs a strong and sensible voice that brings a balanced and compassionate understanding of our Garden Island. His involvement in many community groups such as the Lihu'e Business Association, Filipino Chamber of Commerce of Kaua'i, Kaua'i Visitors Bureau, and the Kaua'i Chamber of Commerce provide him excellent insight into issues, ideas and sentiments important to the community.

The chamber strongly supports Mr. Lord who will contribute to sensible and practical dialogue in helping the Council arrive at important and meaningful recommendations and decisions that will affect our island and state well into the future.

Aloha,

Randali Francisco

President

From: liz ronaldson [growingreens@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2008 5:44 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Senate Committee Engergy & Enviro Apr 3rd

RE: Governor's Message number (473)

Honorable Senator Ron Menor, Chair Senate Committee on Energy & Environment Conference Room #414 / Thursday April 3rd State Capitol, Room 208 Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Menor,

Mr. Wade Lord has been very active on the island of Kauai and I strongly SUPPORT him to serve a three year term on the Environmental Council, nominated by Governor Lingle.

Wade will represent Kauai in a special manner, as he is very professional in his work and enjoys helping others.

Sincerely, Liz Ronaldson, President Kauai County Farm Bureau

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Sent: Monday, March 31, 2008 6:13 PM

To: testimony

Cc: Lord, Wade @ Lihue, HI

Subject: Testimony - Governor's Message 473

Honorable Senator Ron Menor, Chair Senate Committee on Energy and Environment State Capitol, Room 208 Honolulu, Hawaii 96831

SUPPORT

My name is Tom Shigemoto and I hereby submit my whole hearted endorsement of Wade Lord as a member of the Environmental Council. I have known Wade for at least 20 years as a commercial developer, as a football coach, as a commercial properties manager, as an astute businessperson and as a concerned citizen. Wade understands the dynamics of how our environment, our natural resources and attributes and our visitor industry all interact to create economic harmony and in turn a vibrant and happy community. He has children so he has a stake in what happens to their natural surroundings yet providing a way to ensure a viable lifestyle too. We need that kind of balance that Wade can provide in serving on this most important Council. He is a devout Rotarian, which means he is also a provider of services for the needy, the disabled, the youth and the elderly. These services do not come free but are supported by the Rotarians themselves and the money they raise from businesses, corporations and foundations that all have a stake in our community.

Having served on a State Board myself, I understand the time commitments that these appointments demand. These volunteers have to sacrifice their families, their activities and their professions to serve the residents of our State. The Environmental Council is designed to ensure that we continue to enjoy the kind of lifestyle in the kind of rural setting that our predecessors lived. It is not an easy task because of the many conflicting ideologies that are incumbent in the term environment. I commend and respect those people who are committed and dedicated to this task. Wade Lord will do his best to ensure that this goal is accomplished. Thank you for your consideration of his appointment.

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From: Martin J. Kahn [kahn@hawaiian.net]
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2008 10:35 PM

To: testimony

Letter of recommendation for Wade Lord, Environmental Council Conference Room #414 State Capitol Thursday, April 3, 2008

To Whom It May Concern,

I support Wade Lord in his desire to serve on the Environmental Council for the state of Hawaii. I have known and worked with Wade for more than 10 years through the Kapaa Rotary Club. Whether in a role of leadership or simply a volunteer, Wade has always been present whenever important work needed to be done. He is a person one can count on.

His strong business background coupled with his interest in the visitor industry and his love of the environment make him an ideal candidate for the position he seeking.

You could not find a more qualified and enthusiastic representative than Wade Lord. He would be a valuable asset serving as a member of the Environmental Council.

Sincerely,
Martin Kahn
Past President Kahn Galleries
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March 31, 2008

Honorable Senator Ron Menor, Chain, Senate Committee on Energy and Environment, State Capitol, Room 208, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Re: SUPPORT FOR WADE LORD

Dear Senator Menor.

In reference to Governor's Message Number 473, I would like to add my support and whole heartedly recommend Wade Lord for this Environmental Council. Wade is a longtime citizen of Kauai and passionate about the quality of life on the island he lives on. Additionally, Mr. Lord is a veritable encyclopedia regarding commercial business and development on the island. He understands the key influencers in this business, and is in a position to understand the conglomerate impact of all the commercial business practices on the environment and on the island.

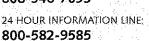
Mr. Lord is very committed to community service through his work with the Rotary Foundation and the Rotary Club as well as his involvement with the Island School, Kauai's top private school.

I would be quite pleased to know that someone as knowledgable and committed to Kauai is serving our state and our county through his involvement on the Gorner's Environmental Council.

Sincerely,

Ron Margolis

Ron Margolis, RA 808-346-7095



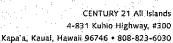


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April 2, 2008

VIA E-MAIL

Honorable Senator Ron Menor, Chair Senate Committee on Energy and Environment State Capitol, Room 208 Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Governor's Message Number 473

Nomination of Wade Lord to the Environmental Council

Dear Chair Menor and Members of the Committee:

I strongly support the confirmation of Wade Lord's nomination to the Environmental Council.

I have known Wade and worked with him for a number of years on commercial properties for which he served as property manager and our firm served as legal counsel. Wade has always struck me as someone who is very intelligent, hard-working, reasonable, fair and practical. He would definitely be an asset to the Council with the combination of his business background and experience and his dedication to preserving the environment for present and future generations. Wade has also been very generous in contributing his time and energies to other community service organizations.

On this basis, I unconditionally support Wade Lord for this appointment and would urge you and your colleagues to confirm him at your earliest opportunity.

Thank you very much for your consideration of my views.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle T. Sakumoto

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April 2, 2008 - SUPPORT

Honorable Senator Ron Menor Chair, Senate Committee on Energy and Environment State Capitol Room 208 Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Sir:

Re: Governor's Message 473- Wade Lord – Environmental Council Nominee

I am writing this letter to voice my support for Wade Lord as a member of the Environmental Council of the State of Hawaii.

I have known Mr. Lord personally and professionally for eight years and I find him to be honest, ethical and fair. Additionally, Mr. Lord is uniquely qualified for this position as a long time leader in the community, a leader in the Hawaii Visitor industry, his work in the Rotary Club of Kauai and his well known love of the environment.

If confirmed we can expect Mr. Lord to serve on the council with dignity and intelligence while keeping the interests of the people of Hawaii foremost in his mind.

I strongly urge you to vote to confirm Wade Lord to the Environmental Council.

Sincerely,

Joseph T. Haas

SUPPORT

April 2, 2008

Honorable Senator Ron Menor, Chair Senate Committee on Energy and Environment State Capitol Room 208 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: Governor's Message 473
Support of Wade Lord for Environmental Council

Aloha Honorable Senator Menor and Committee

I was delighted to hear that Wade Lord was nominated by Governor Lingle to serve a three year term on the Environmental Council. Wade will be a great asset and therefore I strongly encourage your support in confirming his nomination.

I've known Wade professionally and personally for over 10 years. He is a visionary, as well as highly focused, and dedicated to the community. I've seen him in action.

- Rotary Club of Kapaa I was a board member of the Rotary Club of Kapaa when Wade was the President. He was great to work because of his superior leadership and exceptional decision making process.
- Island School We are both board members of Island School and he is the current chair of the 2008 Island School Annual Gala Auction, the major fundraiser and provider of tuition grants for students in need of financial assistance.

Wade is also involved with other organizations and you will no doubt receive more testimonies attesting to his character and professionalism.

As a personal friend I know Wade's character and his respect for the environment will make him a perfect candidate. I urge you to confirm his nomination.

Sincerely,

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From:

Phil Fudge [pfudge@hisemail.net]

Sent:

Wednesday, April 02, 2008 9:55 AM

To:

testimony

Cc:

Wade Lord

Subject: Support of Wade Lord for a position on the Environmental Council

SUPPORT of Wade Lord for Environmental Council Governor's Message 473

Hearing to be held in Conference rm. no. 414 at the State Capital, on Thursday, April 3rd

Honorable Senator Ron Menor Chair, Senate Committee on Energy and Environment State Capitol, Room 208 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha Chairperson Menor and Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Wade Lord for a position on the Environmental Council.

My experience observing Wade's commitment to the community spans well over a decade and is evident in the many organizations he devotes his time. Perhaps the most apparent to me was during his term as president of the Rotary Club of Kapaa where he demonstrated superior leadership skills and exceptional decision making processes.

This same skill set is observed in his other activities such as president of the Kauai chapter of the Hawaii Visitors Bureau and I have no doubt that they would be invaluable to the Environmental Council.

As a personal friend I know Wade's character and his respect for the environment makes him the perfect candidate.

I pledge my support for Wade as a member of the Environmental Council.

Sincerely,

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Hon. Senator Ron Menor, Chair Senate Committee on Energy and Environment State of Hawaii Capitol Room 208 Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: SUPPORT - WADE LORD (Governor's Message 473)

Environmental Council

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It has been my privilege to work with Wade Lord for over 3 years. My enthusiastic support of Mr. Lord's nomination to the Environmental Council is, however, as a registered voter, full-time resident and citizen of the State of Hawaii.

Mr. Lord skills as an administrator and executive are well known. He is knowledgeable and informed and keeps current. He is more than qualified for the Environmental Council. Mr. Lord also gives back to the community ohana both professionally and personally. Most importantly, his ethics and integrity are absolutely beyond reproach.

It is my honor to unequivocally recommend Mr. Lord and strongly urge the Committee's approval of his nomination. His presence on the Council will be an asset to the both the government and citizens of the State in the management and preservation of the Hawaii environment.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2008 6:36 PM

To: testimony

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Subject: Testimony-Governors Message 473

Honorable Senator Ron Menor Chair Senate Committee on Energy and Environment State Capitol Room 208 Honolulu, Hawaii 96831

SUPPORT

My name is John Halliday and I have been a long time resident of the Island of Kauai. I would like to submit my total support for the endorsement of Wade Lord, to serve as a member of the Environmental Council. Rarely have I experienced a more capable and willing individual in my long business career, who is better suited for this important position within the Hawaiian community. Wade has proven to friends and associates throughout Hawaii, over the past many years, that his dedication and leadership is truly a blessing and he continues to give unselfishly to the common cause throughout Hawaii. His long standing relationship with the Rotary Club in Kauai, has placed him at the top of the list of committed citizens who strive for excellence in serving the people of Hawaii. This role as a leader with the Rotary Club has prepared him well for larger responsibilities state wide. He also serves on School Boards in Kauai and his dedication to raising funds for continuing education is exemplary. In addition, Wade possesses a keen business mind demonstrated by his ability to manage major commercial properties on the Island of Kauai. Wade's family has become the cornerstone of his life and he continues to find time to serve the interests of the Hawaiian community. His love of the Environment in Hawaii is evident through the many public projects he participates in with his two wonderful children. Wade is not only eminently qualified for the position, but is committed to making Hawaii a model for the entire country relating to Environmental issues. It is his intense desire to make Hawaii a better place to live, that will motivate him to be successful in this important State Roll. Therefore, it is with great pleasure that I strongly endorse Wade Lord for a position on the Environmental Council.

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April 2, 2008

To whom it may concern:

RE: Wade Lord

Confirmation to the Environmental Council

It gives me great pleasure to recommend Wade Lord to the Environmental Council.

As a longtime resident of Kauai, Wade brings an extensive business background, knowledge of and participation in the visitor industry, and a love of the environment that defines Hawaii.

I have served with Wade on a number of boards of directors and have been impressed with his attention to detail, his willingness to weigh all facts before making a decision, and his ability to work well with various personalities.

Wade's combination of talents will make him a strong member of the council.

Mahalo for your consideration,

Pamela V. Brown Editor, Kauai People weekly newspaper



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Honorable Chairman, Ron Menor Energy and Environment (ENE) Hawaii State Capitol, Room 208 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Personal Statement of Interest (GM 473)

Dear Honorable Chairman and Committee Members:

I ask for your confirmation as a member to the Environmental Council, for a term to expire on June 30, 2011.

I believe that I can be an asset to the Environmental Council. My background in the commercial real estate business over the past 20 years has taught me many lessons that I will apply to my position with the council. My experience in real estate development has been focused in the field of redevelopment, which is the reuse and renewal of facilities on Brownfield lands. This practice is in line with our limited lands available for urbanization in Hawaii. Further, I have instituted many sustainable initiatives in the properties that I have helped to redevelop. I believe that I am in a position to make a positive effect on these properties for the benefit of those who frequent them.

As the current Chairman of the Kauai Visitors Bureau (KVB) for 2007-2008 and board member of the Hawaii Conventions & Visitors Bureau (HVCB), I bring the perspective of the visitor industry to this opportunity. One of the primary values statements of the KVB is that we must, as an industry and as a community, help to steward the lands, as the environment is one of the primary reasons that guests visit our state.

Finally, as a life-long avid sportsman, I have enjoyed the environment from the user perspective. Having grown up diving, fishing, and participating a



variety of sports, I know how critical it is that we protect and use the environment in ways to impact them as little as possible so that Hawaii can be enjoyed by all generations to come.

If confirmed, I will apply my business experience and industry perspective that has been shaped by my personal experiences, to be fair and balanced as a member of the Environmental Council. Thank you for your consideration of my statement of interest.

Mahalo,

Wade Lord