TESTIMONY GM 436

Senator Clayton Hee Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813

Aloha Senator Hee.

I am honored to be considered for another term on the state of Hawaii Board of Land and Natural Resources. I have been exposed to a variety of issues during my current term and have gained a lot of respect for our Natural Resources. Growing up on Maui I have seen a lot of changes. Resources such as fish and opihi are being depleted at an alarming rate. Access to the shorelines and mountains are being restricted due to development. Prior to my appointment three years ago, these things never crossed my mind. However, since then, being a voice for our Natural Resources and the People that are affected has been the most important contribution that I have and can continue to bring to the Board.

I am very active and attend the DLNR — Maui Managers regularly scheduled meetings. This has given me insight to issues with regards to our resources. I also attend all DLNR public meetings and hearings here on Maui. The staff here on Maui has been very helpful in educating me on issues regarding our natural resources, rules and regulations.

This past year the Board had several issues of violations of damages to our reef and illegal taking of resources. Commercial operators and others that cause damage and or deplete our natural resources must realize the importance of protecting these resources and be held accountable for their actions.

Our rules are often misinterpreted and in some cases very confusing to the public and to me. Clarity of DLNR rules, regulations & enforcement are critical elements in order to protect our natural resources to ensure that future generations can enjoy these resources. DLNR needs to be more clear in its' rules and regulations so the public understands its intent. Perhaps more education for the public will help. Earlier this year I requested that the DLNR hold an informational meeting prior to all public hearings so that the concerned people attending the hearing can ask questions rather than just be told of what is going to happen.

It is very difficult to pin point one task that the Board must take now. There are several issues that are before the board with regards to access, fishing rules, ceded land issues, water issues just to name a few. These are very sensitive and difficult issues, however, being available for those that are concerned and attending any public meetings/gatherings and making sure that I understand all concerns

I was born and raised on Mani and the son of a stevedore and a homemaker mom. Their only concern was to make sure I was fed and raised as best as they could. My family never even bought any property or had any investments. I am fortunate to have my own property and even a small business. I have progressed thru the years and have made a lot of friends via my work and community involvement. However, should I be in a situations with an issue that may be a conflict of interest, I will make it known and will recuse myself from participating in discussion and decision making before the Board.

I do hope that I have addressed all your concerns. Attached in my resume and references. I have also asked each one for permission to be contacted. I look forward to your scheduled hearing for reappointment.

-Respectfully,

John Edlao

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STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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Testimony of LAURA H. THIELEN Chairperson

Before the Senate Committee on WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Friday, March 20, 2009 3:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 229

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 436 - SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION TO THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JERRY EDLAO, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

On behalf of the Department of Land and Natural Resources and the Board of Land and Natural Resources, I would like to express my strong support for the reconfirmation of Mr. Jerry Edlao to serve as a member of the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

Mr. Edlao owns Accu-Pest & Termite Control Service and has worked in the pest control industry since 1974. He is a member and director of the Maui Contractors Association and a member, vice president, and former board member of the Hawaii Pest Control Association.

Apart from his already busy schedule, Mr. Edlao has also found the time to serve on the Maui County Planning Commission, serving as its Chairperson from 2000-2002 and the Maui County Board of Variances and Appeals as its Vice-Chairperson from 2003-2004. In addition, Mr. Edlao serves as a Trustee and Chair of the Kahului Union Church and is a member of the Valley Isle Kennel Club of Maui.

Mr. Edlao's strong commitment to public service and his effectiveness in dealing with the myriad of issues that have come before the Board of Land and Natural Resources is highly commendable. He has devoted significant amounts of his personal time to assisting the Department in various matters affecting the County of Maui. Mr. Edlao was instrumental in initiating meetings with the public and acting as a liaison for our Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR). As a direct result of his involvement, DOBOR was able to have productive meetings and address controversial issues in a constructive manner on numerous occasions.

He has my wholehearted endorsement to continue serving as a member of the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

CHARMAINE TAVARES
Mayor

SHERI MORRISON Managing Director



COUNTY OF MAUI
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200 S. HIGH STREET
WAILUKU, MAUI, HAWAII 96793

March 18, 2009

The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair and Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: GM 436 – NOMINATION OF JERRY EDLAO TO THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES (BLNR)

Dear Chair Hee and Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of GM 436, which will consider the nomination and confirmation of Mr. Jerry Edlao to the Board of Land and Natural Resources. If confirmed, Mr. Edlao will represent Maui County through June 30, 2013.

It is my honor to write in support of Mr. Edlao's re-appointment to the BLNR. As the Environmental Coordinator for the County of Maui, I have worked with him on many issues over the past two years. He has always conducted himself very professionally and with a great deal of honesty and integrity. Mr. Edlao has been a true champion for Maui Nui's environment and people, and it would serve our County well to have him continue in this capacity.

I fully support the nomination and confirmation of Mr. Jerry Edlao to the BLNR for another full term. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions at (808) 242-1180 x22 or Kuhea.Paracuelles@mauicounty.gov.

Thank you for your favorable consideration of this measure.

Sincerely,

Kuhea Paracuelles Maui County Environmental Coordinator Office of the Mayor From: mail Sent: Tue

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Tuesday, March 17, 2009 10:29 PM

To: WTLTestimony

Cc: sunshineorchids@gmail.com

Subject: Testimony for GM436 on 3/20/2009 3:00:00 PM

Testimony for WTL 3/20/2009 3:00:00 PM GM436

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Darrell Tanaka Organization: Individual Address: Haiku, Maui

Phone:

E-mail: sunshineorchids@gmail.com

Submitted on: 3/17/2009

Comments:

Mr. Edlao has done a good job. He is positively involved with the community and the DLNR staff here on Maui. DLNR has some crappy administrators who make questionable decisions to put it lightly. Mr. Edlao has done a fine job in mediating and resolving the unnecessary animosity caused by those administrators with the public. We praise his work and dedication to the community of Maui.

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov

Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 8:06 AM

To: WTLTestimony
Cc: oggyen@gmail.com

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Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Gordon Nalu Yen

Organization: Individual

Address: 12 Emoloa Place Wailuku, Hi

Phone: 808 357-0981 E-mail: oggyen@gmail.com Submitted on: 3/18/2009

Comments:

I support the reconfirmation for Mr. Jerry EDLAO as part of the driving force of the BLNR

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Sent:

Wednesday, March 18, 2009 8:14 AM

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Russell.T.Sparks@hawaii.gov

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Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Russell Sparks Organization: Individual

Address: 306 Liliuokalani Street Pukalani, HI 96768

Phone: 808-572-5987

E-mail: Russell.T.Sparks@hawaii.gov

Submitted on: 3/18/2009

Comments:

I strongly support the reappointment of Mr Jerry Edlao as the Maui Land Board Representative.

I am an employee of the DLNR on Maui, and during my time at DLNR, I have never experienced a land board member who has been more committed and willing to give of his time to help the department make wise and educated policy decisions. Jerry Edlao clearly cares very deeply about Maui's natural resources and this is obviously what drives him to work so hard as the Maui Board Member. He attends all our the Maui DLNR District monthly manager meetings, and he works directly with the various divisions to better understand the issues they face and how the Land Board can help Maui DLNR staff achieve their goals. He does all of this, without any form of compensation. I have also noticed that Jerry attends most of the evening public meetings and/or hearings that the department holds as we work with the public to develop new rules and/or work out resource user conflicts. This is particularly important, since the Land Board is often required to vote on policies that result form these community meetings. By attending the meetings, Jerry is able to better interpret the various community comments while working with his colleges on the board to making the best possible policy decisions.

Thank you for taking the time to review my comments and please allow Mr. Jerry Edlao to continue the great work that he has begun. The natural and cultural resources within Maui County are much better off today because of Jerry's concern and commitment to the Land Board.

Sincerely, Russell Sparks Maui Office of the Division of Aquatic Resources, DLNR

Sent: To:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Wednesday, March 18, 2009 9:27 AM

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Conference room: 229

Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: BRIAN YOSHIKAWA

Organization: Individual

Address: Wailuku Phone: 8082440011 E-mail: msg@aloha.net Submitted on: 3/18/2009

Comments:

Mr. Jerry Edlao has terrific rapport and respect among the fishermen and ocean users of Maui, and should continue his service on the Board.



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March 20, 2009

Testimony To:

Senate Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair

Presented By:

Tim Lyons, CAE

Executive Director

Subject:

G.M. 436 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the

Board of Land and Natural Resources, Gubernatorial Nominee,

JERRY EDLAO, for a term to expire 6-30-2013

Chair Hee and Members of the Committee:

I am Tim Lyons, Executive Director of the Hawaii Pest Control Association and we support this nominee.

Mr. Edlao has served as the Maui Director for the Hawaii Pest Control Association for many years and has been very effective in representing the interest of the members on Maui as it relates to the pest control industry. It is because of this relationship we know that he is capable of handling the affairs and matters that come before the Board of Land and Natural Resources and will handle them in an expeditious and judicial manner.

We can highly recommend Mr. Edlao as a nominee and would request your advise and consent.

Thank you.

From: Sent: David Goode [dgoode@ksdhawaii.com] Wednesday, March 18, 2009 10:37 AM

To:

WTLTestimony

Subject:

GM 436 - Confirmation of Jerry Edlao to Board of Land and Natural Resources

March 18, 2009

COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Vice Chair State Capitol, Room 229 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Aloha Senators Hee and Tokuda:

Subject:

GM436, Relating to Confirmation to the Board of Land and Natural Resources,

Gubernatorial Nominee, JERRY EDLAO, for a Term to Expire 6-30-2013, Hearing Room

229, March 20, 2008 at 3:00 PM

My name is David Goode, President of KSD Hawaii, a Maui based real estate development company and renewable energy consultant. I was also a task force member of the Hawaii Sustainability 2050 project.

I <u>strongly support</u> the nomination and confirmation of Mr. Jerry Edlao to full term on the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR).

Mr. Edlao has been an enthusiastic, hard working, diligent and fair member of the BLNR in his current term. He takes the time to understand all the issues, work with community, and forge workable solutions. He participated and contributed greatly to the Sustainability 2050 process as a community member as well. His experience will continue to add greatly to the BLNR.

Mahalo for the consideration.

David Goode President KSD Hawaii 8 Kiopa'a Street, Suite 201 Pukalani, Hawaii 96768 Phone: (808) 572-3011, ext. 206

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Sent:

Wednesday, March 18, 2009 11:09 AM

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pennysfh@hawaii.rr.com

Subject:

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Conference room: 229

Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Penny Levin Organization: Individual Address: Wailuku, Hawaii

Phone:

E-mail: pennysfh@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 3/18/2009

Comments:

Mr. Jerry Edlao served well as the Maui Board member in his is previous term. He understands the complicated issues of DLNR and DOFAW and Maui's needs in protecting and managing its natural resources and endangered species and habitats. He has been committed to attending meetings and informed decision-making in his capacity as Board member. I support the confirmation of Mr. Edlao to the Board.

Sent:

Ann Fielding [annf@maui.net] Wednesday, March 18, 2009 11:15 AM WTLTestimony

To:

Subject:

GM436

Hello,

I support Jerry Edlao for the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

Thank you,

Ann Fielding (808) 572-8437 Haiku, Maui, Hawaii

Daniel.L.Ornellas@hawaii.gov

Sent:

Wednesday, March 18, 2009 12:00 PM

To:

WTLTestimony Accu-Pest

Cc: Subject:

GM 436 re: Reconfirmation of EDLAO to the BLNR

Senate Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs GM 436
Friday, March 20, 2009
3:00 p.m.
Conference Room 229

Aloha Chairman Clayton Hee and Senate Committee Members,

This letter serves to express my support for the reconfirmation of Mr. Jerry Edlao as the Maui District Representative on the State Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR).

My name is Daniel Ornellas and I am the current Maui District Land Agent for the State Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), Land Division. I have been employed in my current position for the past 5 years.

When I first began working with the BLNR, the Board member at the time was a "hold-over" member. The experience I had was that he was never available for monthly District Manager meetings and he never made efforts to contact me or my office.

However, I have had a very different experience with Mr. Edlao. He is an individual that truly cares about our resources which is evidenced by his regular attendance at our monthly DLNR District Managers meetings and his frequent visits and phone calls (several times per month) to the Maui District Land Office here in Wailuku. During our conversations, Mr. Edlao will inform us of concerns he has received from community members related to natural resources and he will ask for status updates of ongoing issues that are being addressed by the BLNR. Mr. Edlao has shown special interest in shoreline access issues and concerns expressed by subsistence users. Mr. Edlao provides valuable insight to community interests, is willing and able to discuss complex resource management issues and provides clear and prudent recommendations on how staff should address sensitive issues. He encourages us to hear all sides of the story; actively pursues community and agency comments; and advocates that we address difficult issues by referring them to the BLNR for review and consent as a means of allowing for fair and equitable treatment within a public setting.

Mr. Jerry Edlao is an asset to our Maui Community and should be reconfirmed as the Maui Representative to the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

Sincerely,

Daniel Ornellas Maui District Land Agent

DLNR - Land Division 54 South High Street, Room 101 Wailuku, HI 96793 (808) 984-8103



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March 20, 2009

Testimony To:

Senate Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and

Hawaiian Affairs

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair

Presented By:

James E. Coon, President

Subject:

G.M. 436: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Land and Natural Resources, Gubernatorial Nominee, JERRY EDLAO, for a term to expire 6-30-2013

Chair Hee and Members of the Committee:

I am James Coon, President of the Ocean Tourism Coalition and we support Jerry Edlao for this position. Mr. Edlao has served a term on the BLNR and has shown he has the ability to make the difficult decisions necessary for the board to function well.

Mr. Edlao owns a small family business on Maui and is involved with the daily operation of his enterprise. He is a busy man, yet on more than one occasion I have seen Mr. Edlao go out of his way to meet with groups and individuals to do the in depth research necessary to fairly and judiciously represent the needs of our island. I believe he is very committed to serving the people of Maui and the State in his role on the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

We highly recommend Mr. Edlao as a nominee and humbly request you to vote in favor of his confirmation.

Sincerely,

James E. Coon, President Ocean Tourism Coalition

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov

Sent:

Wednesday, March 18, 2009 3:18 PM

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randy.k.awo@hawaii.gov

Subject:

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Conference room: 229

Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Randy Awo

Organization: DLNR/ Maui DOCARE

Address:

Phone: 808 264-1127

E-mail: randy.k.awo@hawaii.gov

Submitted on: 3/18/2009

Comments:

Aloha Honorable Senators,

I am writing this letter in support of the reconfirmation of Maui Land Board member Gerry Edlao. Mr. Edlao has and continues to demonstrate a strong commitment to the protection of Hawaii's cultural and natural resources. From the beginning of his appointment he has maintained close and constructive relationships with the various managers of the Maui DLNR. In addition he has taken an active role in promoting the environmental interests of the DLNR and well as the communities that we serve. It is my hope that the DLNR as well as our communities will continue to have the opportunity to work with Mr. Edlao as we face increasing obstacles and challenges in caring for and protecting the true essence of what makes Hawaii so special and unique.

Mahalo - Randy Awo

Onaga, Stephen at HCS [sonaga@hcsugar.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, March 18, 2009 4:59 PM

To:

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Subject:

GM 436 reconfirmation to BLNR

COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Honorable Senators Clayteen Hee and Jill Tokuda,

I am in support of the reconfirmation of Member Jerry Edlao to serve on the Board of Land and Natural Resources for another term to expire: 6/30/2013.

As a resident of Maui and my personal experiences with Mr. Edlao, I can affirm that Mr. Edlao has the leadership, passion, knowledge, and genuine care for the aina and people of Hawaii to serve and represent the best interest of the State of Hawaii and my resident island Maui. Please support his reconfirmation to the Board (BNLR).

I am available for questions or testimony.

Mahalo nui loa,

Stephen H. Onaga Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

tel 808.877.6911

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Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Ivor Williams Organization: Individual

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E-mail: ivor@hawaii.edu
Submitted on: 3/18/2009

Comments:

Thank you for the opportunity to give testimony.

I am a professional natural resource scientist working and living in Hawaii. I have been very impressed by everything I have seen of Jerry Edlao's work with the Board of Land and Natural Resources, and particularly his commitment to ensuring that he is well informed about all sides of the issues he and the Board have to deal with.

I strongly support his reappointment.

Aloha,

My name is Craig Kawamura and I am a life long resident of Maui and am an avid fisherman and diver all of my life. I have known Jerry Edlao for the last 15 years and have known him to be a very fair and level headed person. In the past few years after he had become a Board member of Land and Natural Resources I could see the passion that he has to do what's right for the people of Hawaii. There were many discussions on what is right for not only the present residence of Hawaii but also for the future residents, our children and their children. Having my children and their children able to experience what I have experienced in the ocean and mountains is very important to me. Having the right persons making the right decisions to insure that Hawaii's natural resources are protected for the future generations is very important. I support Jerry Edlao to be a member on the State Board of Land and Natural Resources I know that he will make fair decisions to insure that Hawaii's natural resources are protected and sustained well into the future for our future generations.

Mahalo, Craig Kawamura

Carrie Nohara [noharac004@Hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, March 18, 2009 7:24 PM

To: Subject: WTLTestimony Jerry Edlau

Aloha! I wish to testify on behalf of Jerry Edlau being appointed as the Maui Representative to the BLNR. Jerry has been easy to work with and has made himself available when ever he could be of assistance. I would like to see his appointment continued.

Thank you, Carrie Nohara (808)572-3581 PO Box 1904 Wailuku, HI. 96793 noharac004@hawaii.rr.com From: Sent: Isabella A Abbott [iabbott@hawaii.edu] Wednesday, March 18, 2009 7:55 PM

To:

WTLTestimony

Subject:

GM 436 Nomination of Jerry Edlao

I strongly support the nomination of Jerry Edlao for the board of the Dept. of Land and Natural Resources as a representative from Maui County. He has an outstanding record in understanding conservation and protection measures for the State.

Sincerely yours, Isabella A. Abbott, Ph.D. Wilder Professor of Botany, Emerita University of Hawai'i



D. NOELANI KALIPI DIRECTOR, GOVERNMENT & COMMUNITY RELATIONS FIRST WIND ENERGY, LLC

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF THE CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JERRY EDLAO, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013 TO THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HAWAII STATE SENATE
COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
ON FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2009
CONFERENCE ROOM 229
3:00 P.M.

Aloha Chairman Hee, Vice Chair Tokuda, and distinguished members of the Committee. First Wind supports the nomination of Mr. Jerry Edlao to a full-term on the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

First Wind, through its affiliates Hawaii Wind (formerly known as UPC Hawaii Wind) and Hawaii Holdings, has been working in Hawaii since 2004 with a Maui-based firm, Makani Nui Associates. Together, we developed, constructed, and operate Kaheawa Wind Power, a 30MW facility located in the West Maui Mountains. Kaheawa is located on State conservation lands, a fact that we are very proud of, given the rigorous permitting requirements associated with doing any type of activity on conservation lands.

We believe Mr. Edlao has executed his duties as a member of the board with enthusiasm, fairness and diligence and we respectfully request your favorable consideration of his nomination.

From: Sent: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Thursday, March 19, 2009 8:35 AM

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curtis.d.powers@hawaii.gov

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Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Curtis Powers Organization: Individual

Address: 551` Lii Way Wailuku, Hi

Phone: 8082800771

E-mail: curtis.d.powers@hawaii.gov

Submitted on: 3/19/2009

Comments:

I have had the pleasure and rewarding experience of working with Jerry Edlao since his initial appointment as our Land Board Representative. He is an honorable and dedicated individual and has done the best work of any of the previous people who have served in this capacity during my public service career. He always has the best interest of Maui in mind when he listens to us in the DLNR and to the public when they voice their needs and concerns. I have found him to be selfless and without guile or a personal agenda in his approach to identifying the proper course of action in the stewardship of our island resources, and have seen him make personal sacrifices to do his duty.

Please do Maui County a favor and re-appoint him. We could not ask for or expect a more capable or dedicated person to represent us. Merit and ability should guide your choice, and Jerry has given us proof of both of these qualities.

Curtis Powers Maui Engineer

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM436 JERRY EDLAO

From

REPRESENTATIVE JOE BERTRAM III

MARCH 19, 2009

Aloha Senator Clayton Hee, Chair, of the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs and committee members.

I write in strong support of the confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, JERRY EDLAO, to the Board of Land and Natural Resources as the Maui member. Mr Edlao's confirmation comes before your committee on Friday, March 20th at 3:00pm.

Please accept my unqualified recommendation of JERRY EDLAO.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Erom: n

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Nancy Harter Organization: Individual

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Comments:

TESTIMONY GM 436 (END)