## TESTIMONY SCR 66/ SR 40



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## **TESTIMONY OF KIPPEN DE ALBA CHU**

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## **SCR 66 and SR 40**

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Tokuda, and members of the Committee, thank you for this opportunity to testify **in strong support** of SCR 66 and SR 40.

The Friends of Iolani Palace welcomes the recognition of our beloved Prince Kuhio in these resolutions and fully supports the issuance of a commemorative stamp in his honor by the U.S. Postal Service. Prince Kuhio's accomplishments on behalf of Hawaii's kanaka are many and his legacies continue to serve Hawaiians today. As we celebrate the 138<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his "*Ia hanau*" on March 26<sup>th</sup>, The Friends strongly advocates for the perpetuation of the last designated heir to the throne of the House of Kalakaua, who lived in Iolani Palace as a youngster along with his two brothers, Prince Keliiahonui and Prince Kawananakoa.

On page two, lines 30 – 35, we would like to offer a clarification. Prince Kuhio *re-organized* the Royal Order of Kamehameha I in 1902. The Order was established and organized by Kamehameha V in 1865.

Thank you again for allowing us to testify in strong support of this measure.

## TESTIMONY SCR 66/ SR 40 (END)