TESTIMONY GM 306

February 17, 2010

Clayton Hee, Chair Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813 (808) 586-7330

RE: Testimony for May Leinani Au Candidate for Kahana Valley Living Park Planning Council

Dear Sir,

Aloha. I am honored to be nominated for the Kahana Valley Living Park Planning Council. I believe I am qualified based on my personal accomplishments and merit.

I am a mother of seven children. My husband and I raised our children in Kahana in the 1960's. Although we left for time, I am very blessed to have the opportunity to return to Kahana and live. I believe I am qualified to sit on this council because I truly have a vested interest in Kahana.

I am an active kupuna within the ahupua'a. I currently sit on the Kahana Community Association as the Treasurer. Recently, I have acquired a non-profit 501(C)(3) that will benefit the cultural programs and families of Kahana. I am currently volunteering and organizing the opening of the Kahana Store. Visitors, schools, and programs come to visit Kahana in our living park. I am always involved and available to assist in these cultural programs.

Professionally, I have 40 years with the US Postal Service as Postmaster for Hau'ula, Kailua, and Kane'ohe post offices. I supervised approximately 80 employees. I managed 35 vehicles and routes. I was also a Postmaster trainer traveling the Pacific to train new Postmasters.

I believe I can be an asset to the Kahana Valley Living Park Planning Council. I am excited about this new venture. If you would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Me ke aloha pumehana, May Leinani Au (808) 237-8369 February 18, 2010

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 Honolulu, HI 96813 (808)586-7330

RE: Nomination to Kahana Valley Living Park Planning Council G.M.No. 306

Dear Sir:

I just received your letter this morning and hasten to respond to your questions:

- 1. I wish to be a member of the Council to make a contribution to the community in which I live.
- 2. I perceive my role as a member is to listen and faithfully report information concerning the valley, Residents, other communities and the public.
- 3. My administrative experience with the USPS will aid in my decision-making ability as a member.
- 4. I hope to contribute and produce a report that will serve as a roadmap for what happens in Kahana which will be acceptable to the Department of Land and Natural Resources as well as the leesees.
- 5. Considering my age(79), I am in good health; I have an open mind; and I especially am a good listener.
- 6. My long 40 years of public service will be of benefit to the Kahana Valley Living Park Planning Council.
- 7. Even though my relation to Adella Au Johnson and Ronald Johnson (lessees) could possibly be conflicts of interest, I am confident my decisions will be for the good of all in issues pertaining to making Ahupua'a O Kahana a successful cultural living park..

Me ke aloha pumehana,

May Leinani Au

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