TESTIMONY GM 461

APRIL 6, 2010

INTERVIEW WITH MR. KIM:

1) Why do you wish to be a member of the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board?

Answer: To represent the Hawaiian Homesteader and insure equitable water usage with the non-homesteaders.

2) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a member of the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board?

Answer: To be a representative and do the best possible for the interest of all homesteaders and non-homesteaders by making the best decision for all involved.

3) Given our understanding of the role and responsibilities of a member of the Molokai Irrigation System Water users Advisory Board, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position?

Answer: I've been a homesteader for 21 years and have extensive usage of it's water.

Trying to develop a site that demands a lot of in the beginning and now incorporates intensive conservation usage to be shared with all others.

4) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

Answer: To protect the water rights for native Hawaiians and it's appropriate usage and begin to develop a practice water usage. Keep homesteaders informed in whatever situations occur within the decision making process affecting concerns for all homesteaders.

5) Name three qualities that best describe you and that would make you stand out. How would these qualities benefit the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board?

Answer: Try to be fair and look at all aspects trying to understand the situation with questions and inquiring mind. To encourage with community inspiration.

6) Name one previous experience that would make you stand out. How would this benefit the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board?

Answer: He got hawaiian homes to re-access the dirt roads around homestead areas. To make improvements on areas of concern.

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7) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service on the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

Answer: To have hope and anticipation! Can't make everyone happy. Decisions made will hopefully come to a discussion with members.



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TESTIMONY OF SANDRA LEE KUNIMOTO CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2010 2:45 P.M. ROOM 229

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 461
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO
THE MOLOKA'I IRRIGATION SYSTEM WATER USERS ADVISORY BOARD,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, MOSES "MOKE" KIM,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2013

Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on Governor's Message No. 461 nominating Moses "Moke" Kim to the Moloka'i Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board. The department strongly supports his nomination.

Mr. Kim is a graduate of Moloka'i High School and received a Master's in Education degree from BYU-Provo. Mr. Kim currently serves as board member and docent for The Nature Conservancy-Moloka'i, is a member of the Hikiola Cooperative, and a board member of the Ho'olehua Farmer's Alliance. Mr. Kim is an active homestead farmer and irrigation customer who produces western, exotic, and native plants. His expertise and experience in agriculture and strong desire to serve his community will be an asset to the board.

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