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COMMENTS OF JOBIE M. K. MASAGATANI, CHAIRMAN
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BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

IN SUPPORT OF GM 740 SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO
THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, DOREEN NAPUA
CANTO, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2019

April 15, 2015

Aloha Chair Shimabukuro and Vice Chair Galuteria and Members of the
Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of
the confirmation of Doreen Napua Canto. Commissioner Canto has served
on an interim basis as the Maui Commissioner and we look forward to
her continued important contributions in her new term.

Pua, has an extensive background in business, health and public
safety issues on Maui and brings this unique perspective to the
Hawaiian Homes Commission and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.
She currently serves on the Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce,
and the Maui County Fire Department Commission and Public Safety
Commission, and formerly served on the Maui Police Commission.

As a Maui homesteader, she understands the challenges of
implementing Prince Kuhio's vision and will continue her strong
advocacy on behalf of Maui beneficiaries.



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF HAWAII
STATE CAPITOL
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

April 13, 2015

Testimony on **GM 740**
Confirmation of **DOREEN CANTO**
Hawaiian Homes Commission

Representative Lynn DeCoite

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

April 15, 2015
1:15pm, Room 224

Chair Shimabukuro, Vice Chair Glauteria and committee members:

I respectfully request your support in confirming the appointment of DOREEN CANTO to serve on the Hawaiian Homes Commission, Maui County Representative. Ms. Canto's background shows a career (volunteer and professional) fully committed to the betterment of the Hawaiian community, not just in Maui County but across greater community of Hawai'i Nei.

Ms. Canto has demonstrated her commitment and expertise as she has served on the Hawaiian Homes Commission for the past two years. Through her roles as the President of the Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce and as President of the Kula Community Association she has an even greater ability to work with and provide information directly to community members throughout Maui County.

For these reasons and so many more I ask for your full support in her confirmation.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Lynn DeCoite
State House of Representative
District 13



Department of Land and Natural Resources
Aha Moku Advisory Committee
State of Hawaii

Testimony of
Leimana DaMate, Executive Director
Aha Moku Advisory Committee

Before the Senate Committee on
HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Wednesday, April 15, 2015
1:15 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 740- SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, DOREEN CANTO FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2019.

The Aha Moku Advisory Committee (AMAC) expresses its support for the confirmation of Doreen “Pua” Canto to serve as a member of the Hawaiian Homes Commission representing Maui County.

AMAC, through its attachment to the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) works closely with Native Hawaiian communities on natural and cultural resources. We have worked with homestead communities who are also moku and ahupua’a residents who are involved with watershed protection and water issues.

Ms. Canto has worked well with us and has been open to discussions on different resources on the islands where Hawaiian Homesteads are. She is from the Honuaula Moku on Maui and in our work with her since she first became a Commissioner, we have found her to be compassionate to others, yet passionate about Maui; accessible, fair and dedicated to the welfare of Hawaiian Homes beneficiaries. We look forward to working with Ms. Canto in the future and support her nomination.

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April 14, 2015

TO: The Honorable Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Chair
Chair, Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

FROM: Gladys C. Baisa
Councilmember

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gladys C. Baisa".

SUBJECT: **HEARING OF APRIL 15, 2015; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 740,
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE
HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE
DOREEN CANTO, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE ON 6-30-2019**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Doreen Canto as the Gubernatorial Nominee on the Hawaiian Homes Commission.

I've known Ms. Canto for a long time. She's a dedicated person and leader who always maintain a high level of professional and personal standards.

Ms. Canto has shown initiative in everything she gets involved with. Her devotion and love for the aina, culture and people of Hawai'i has not gone unnoticed.

I strongly support her appointment without reservations.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bill Brown	Pana'ewa Hawaiian Home Lands Community Association	Support	No

Comments:

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April 13, 2015

The Honorable Maile Shimabukuro
Senator, State of Hawaii
Committee of Hawaiian Affairs
Senate Chambers, State Capitol
Honolulu, HI 96813

**Re: Confirmation of Ms. Doreen Napua Canto (GM 740)
to Serve on the Hawaiian Homes Commission**

Dear Senator Shimabukuro:

I respectfully request your consideration of the confirmation of Ms. Doreen Napua Canto to the Hawaiian Homes Commission.

Having worked directly with Ms. Canto on the Maui Police Commission and on the Waiohuli Hawaiian Homes Community Center in Kula, Maui, I am confident that she will be an effective leader and diligent representative of the Hawaiian Homes Commission if confirmed.

Ms. Canto's tireless work ethic, extensive volunteerism and ties to the Hawaiian Community throughout Maui makes her the ideal candidate to represent her constituents as a member of the Hawaiian Homes Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk T. Tanaka". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over the typed name.

Kirk T. Tanaka
President

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Olinda Aiwohi	Paukukalo Hawaiian Homes Community Association	Support	No

Comments: As president of our Hawaiian Homes Community Association we support Doreen Pua Canto as DHHL commissioner for Maui. Mahalo

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alan Kaufman, DVM	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Having known Doreen Canto for over 3 decades, I affirm she would be an outstanding and effective member of the Hawaiian Homes Commission. She cares for Hawaii and she cares for her community. Please give her appointment to the Commission high priority as she will serve well. Alan Kaufman, DVM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bobbie Patnode	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please confirm Doreen Canto for this position. She has demonstrated to her whole community that she is eminently qualified for this role. Thank you.

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Carol Reimann	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Darrell Young	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Committee Chair Shimabukuro, Vice Chair Galuteria and members of the committee, I am writing in strong support of Doreen Pua Canto as a member of the Hawaiian Homes Commission. Ms. Canto's business background, and continued advocacy for native Hawaiian issues and concerns as President of the Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce on Maui and a leader in her homestead community of Waiohuli makes her a good fit and a great contributor to the commission. I humbly ask that you confirm her nomination. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dennis Enomoto	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support the nomination of Doreen Canto to the Hawaiian Homes Commission. I know that Ms. Canto will not only represent the Island of Maui but the entire State of Hawaii well. Thank you, Dennis Enomoto

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dr. Fred Rawe	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I have known Doreen Canto for 4 years, through which she has proved to me to be an experienced, concerned resident/spokesperson for the Maui Hawaiian Homes Community. Moreover, as a Board Member / Current President of our Upcountry Kula Community Association, Doreen's active concern for the well-being of her Hawaiian Homes neighbors is paramount -- a reflection of her essential and enduring belief that she can advance useful resolutions to issues that directly affect Hawaiian Homes residents throughout the state.

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Dre Kalili	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the nomination of Ms. Doreen Napua Canto to serve on the Hawaiian Homes Commission. Ms. Canto has been served on the commission since 2013, and she brings to the Hawaiian Homes Commission expertise and experience in community leadership and capacity-building, project management, non-profit organizations, and small business. I am confident that she will continue contribute to thoughtful consideration and sound decision-making by the commission. I respectfully urge this committee to advise and consent to this nomination. Mahalo nui.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gina Flammer	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am writing in support of Ms. Canto. I have worked with her on the Kula Community Association and she is an outstanding community asset. Her dedication to the Hawaiian community is admirable. Her caring manner and organizational skills makes her a great member of the Commission. She has done a wonderful job these past few years and I strongly support her reappointment. I ask that you join me in supporting her reappointment. Thank you for allowing me to submit this testimony on Ms. Canto's behalf.

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Gwen Hiraga	Individual	Support	No

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Howard P. Chee	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I fully support the Governor's nomination of Doreen Canto to the Hawaiian Homes Commission. Her thoughtful mana'o always contributes to the discussion. We are fortunate to have someone of her caliber willing to continue serving on the commission.

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Jimmy Gomes	Individual	Support	No

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John W. Kaohelaulii	Individual	Support	No

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Jon Serikawa	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Ms. Canto is perfect for this

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April 13, 2015

The Honorable Senator Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Chair
Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 222
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Subject: Testimony in Support of GM 740—Confirmation of Doreen Canto to the Hawaiian Homes Commission for a term to expire on 6-30-2019

Aloha Chair Shimabukuro and Member of the Committee:

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit this testimony in full support of GM 740 which seeks Senate confirmation of Doreen Canto's appointment to the Hawaiian Homes Commission for a 4-year term that will expire on June 30, 2019.

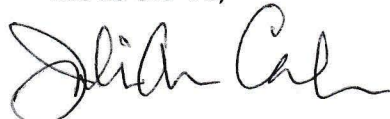
I am lifetime resident of the Wai'anae district. I have my Master's Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from UH, Manoa and I am a Planner V in the Planning Office of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. The Planning Office works closely with homestead leaders. I am the planning liaison assigned to the island of Maui and the Wai'anae Coast.

As the Maui planning liaison, I have worked closely with Doreen Canto for the past 9 years. During that time, Ms. Canto served on the Executive Board of Directors for the Waiohuli Hawaiian Homestead Association as its President, Vice-President, and Secretary. More recently, she served as the Project Coordinator for the Waiohuli Community & Recreation Center. She coordinated the completion of all planning and permitting requirements, she managed consultants, she secured donations and grants to finance the project, and completed the construction of the Center. While most homestead associations have plans to develop a community center, in my 9-years with the Department I have witnessed the completion of only two (2) community centers. Ms. Canto's diligence, capabilities, and leadership skills were major factors in the successful completion of the Community & Recreation Center.

As a volunteer homestead leader, Ms. Canto demonstrated competence and commitment as she took on increasing levels of responsibility. Moreover, her dedication and commitment to community service extends beyond her homestead community which is evident in her service on various boards and Commissions, including: the Maui Police Commission; the Boys & Girls Club of Maui; the Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce; Hui No Ke Ola Pono (a native Hawaiian health non-profit serving the island of Maui), among others.

Finally, your Committee should note that in 2014, Ms. Canto received Senate confirmation to fill Maui's vacant seat on the Hawaiian Homes Commission for the remaining term of 1-year. During this interim appointment, Ms. Canto proved her excellence as a policy-maker, able to advocate for Maui issues and concerns while also being able to evaluate issues of statewide importance. For these reasons, I urge your support of GM 740.

Me Ka Oia 'i'o,



Julie-Ann Cachola

April 13, 2015

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, President
And Members of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

RE: GM 740 – Maui County Hawaiian Homes Commission

Aloha Senate President Kim and Members of the Senate,

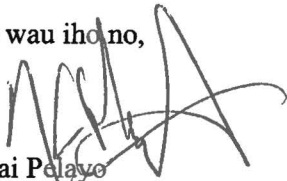
I would like to take an opportunity to offer personal support and recommendation for Doreen Napua Canto to continue as Maui Commissioner for The Department of Hawaiian Homelands.

In 2012, as President of the Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce (MNHCCOC), I appointed Pua as Vice President because of her dedication and commitment to the Hawaiian culture and the community. She served as a Board Member and Membership Committee chair previous to that title and as the current President; she has exceeded her contributions in helping the chamber reach its mission in promoting and sustaining the Hawaiian culture, nurturing a strong community of Hawaiian values and enhancing opportunities for success in business and education.

Pua's continuous community involvement encompasses her passion not only for the Hawaiian Community, but for the people of Maui County. In the past, she has served as a Commissioner on the Maui Police Commission and as Board Member for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui and the Hui No Ke Ola Pono Inc. (A Native Hawaiian Healthcare Organization). She was appointed to serve on the Fire & Public Safety Commission in 2012 and also serves on the Board of AKAKU (Maui Community Media) since early last year. She has been a member of the 'Ahahui Ka'ahumanu Society for the past four years and is an ongoing advocate for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and American Cancer Society. Her passion for both intersects with her service on the Board for both Waiohuli Hawaiian Homesteaders Association and Kula Community Association where her home resides.

Pua exemplifies excellence and serves as a role model for others to emulate. I hope you will give serious consideration in retaining Doreen Napua Canto as Maui Commissioner for The Department of Hawaiian Homelands. If you would like additional information about Pua, please feel free to contact me at (808) 633-6289.

O wau iho no,



Kai Palayo
President, Maui Economic Development
Vice President, Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber Foundation
Past President, Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce
Director of Operations, Grand Wailea
Chairman, UH Maui College Hospitality & Tourism Advisory Committee
2011 Minority Small Business Champion-County of Maui, Small Business Advocate of the Year

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katherine smith	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support Governor Ige's appointment of Doreen Canto to the Hawaiian Homes Commission for a term of four (4) years. Doreen is an experienced community leader with a track record for getting things done properly. I have worked with her at Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce and have followed her work at Waiohuli Homesteads on Maui. She is well qualified and able to serve as HHC Commissioner. Katherine Kama'ema'e Smith

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Mele Spencer	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am writing in strong support of Doreen Napua Canto for Hawaiian Homes Commissioner for Maui. I have had the honor of working with Ms. Gomes on a NeighborWorks Leadership Training project and found her to be collaborative, with innovative ideas, and to have excellent planning and organizing skills. Her accomplishments in community projects are significant. Ms. Canto is knowledgeable about the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and conditions in the homesteads. I believe that Ms. Canto will continue to be an excellent addition to the Hawaiian Homes Commission. Her dedication to the advancement of the Hawaiian community, her fine character and integrity, will prove to be an invaluable asset to the Commission. It is my hope that you will strongly support her appointment.

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Michelle Brown	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am strongly in support of reappointment of Hawaiian Homes Commissioner Canto.

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Nicole Apoliona, M.D.	Individual	Support	No

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Olinda Aiwohi	Individual	Support	No

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TESTIMONY IN *STRONG SUPPORT* TO THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
GM 740, DOREEN CANTO AS COMMISSIONER ON THE BOARD OF
COMMISSION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS (DHHL)
COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2015

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Madame Chair Shimabukuro and Vice Chair Galuteria and Committee Members, Aloha!

Please accept this letter and testimony in *strong support* to the re-appointment of Ms. Doreen Canto as a Commissioner of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) for the term described. Ms. Canto has provided a supportive and willingness to protect the rights and especially the beneficiaries of the Hawaiian Home Lands Trust during her past term and as an advocate of the homesteaders.

We ask for your full support in her re-appointment to the Commission. Mahalo nui loa! Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call upon me.

Yours very truly,

Paul P. Richards

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Robert J Hall	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Strong support for the nomination of Doreen Canto to the HHC. "Pua" has been a nucleus and driving force within the Hawaiian Homesteads on Maui to help motivate and encourage beneficiaries towards building strong, productive communities, that inspire and help Maui County and the rest of the state. Her efforts are tireless and her key sense of community will be a continued benefit in setting policies for DHHL and native Hawaiian beneficiary programs.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
shelley maddigan	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Doreen Canto is a dedicated public servant with great integrity.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shirley Swinney	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I STRONGLY SUPPORT Ms. Canto's appointment. As an interim member to HHC, Ms. Canto's judgment demonstrated an understanding of DHHL's mission to manage the Trust effectively, and to develop and deliver land to native Hawaiians. More importantly, she worked collaboratively with members and respectfully with beneficiaries.

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April 11, 2015

SUPPORT FOR DOREEN CANTO AS HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSIONER

Aloha e Senators Shimabukuro and members of the Senate Committee for Hawaiian Affairs,

Please accept my written testimony in favor of Doreen Canto as a member of the Commission on Hawaiian Homelands. I have personally known Doreen for several years. She is of the highest integrity as well as deeply committed to serving her community.

As President of the Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce, she is a catalyst for improving business, educational and cultural opportunities for Native Hawaiians and others who seek to perpetuate Native Hawaiian values. Furthermore, she has an excellent understanding of the complex issues surrounding Hawaiian Homelands. She is also a very compassionate and fair person with the ability to evaluate and consider many facets of a situation prior to making a decision.

Therefore, I urge you to approve her nomination to the Hawaiian Homelands Commission.

Mahalo,

Teri Freitas Gorman
Maui Resident