STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2841

Honolulu, Hawaii

## MAR 1.0 2016

RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 507, 508, 509

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

#### Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 507, 508, and 509, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

### LEGACY LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION

G.M. No. 507 FREDERICK WARSHAUER, for a term to expire 06-30-2018;

G.M. No. 508 KANOE WILSON, for a term to expire 06-30-2018; and

G.M. No. 509 WENDY WILTSE, for a term to expire 06-30-2017,

begs leave to report as follows:

### FREDERICK WARSHAUER

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Frederick Warshauer from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and two individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Warshauer's experience as a field biologist, commitment to public service, and proven leadership qualify him for appointment to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. Your Committee notes that Mr. Warshauer has worked with native plants and vegetation throughout the State over the last forty-five years and worked in various roles for federal and local government, including as a

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Wildlife Biologist and Botanist for the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, a Coastal Zone Management Planner for the County of Hawaii, and Senior Research Associate for the United States Geological Survey, Pacific Islands Ecosystems Research Center. Your Committee further finds that Mr. Warshauer has been appointed to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission as a member possessing scientific qualifications as evidenced by an academic degree in wildlife or marine biology, botany, forestry, ecology, resource management, biogeography, zoology, or geology based on his knowledge, experience, and commitment to public service.

### KANOE WILSON

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Kanoe Wilson from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Oahu Economic Development Board, Keaukaha Community Association, and ten individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Wilson's experience as an Education Officer with Kamehameha Schools, commitment to public service, and proven leadership qualify her for appointment to the Legacy Land Conservation . Commission. Your Committee notes that Ms. Wilson has experience as a Land Legacy Education Specialist with the Aina Ulu Program and experience working at the Kipuka Native Hawaiian Student She is a member of the North American Association for Environmental Education, Hawaii Environmental Educators Alliance, Native Hawaiian Education Association, First Nations' Futures Fellowship Network, Golden Key National Honor Society, Huliauapa'a Advisory Board, and Na Maka o Papahanaumokuakea Advisory Board, as well as a Consultant for Noho Papa and a Hawaiian cultural practitioner in hula and lua. Your Committee further finds that Ms. Wilson has been appointed to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission as a member knowledgeable about native Hawaiian culture based on her knowledge, experience, and commitment to public service.

#### WENDY WILTSE

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Wendy Wiltse from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and six individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Dr. Wiltse's experience as a marine ecologist, commitment to public



service, and proven leadership qualify her for appointment to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. Your Committee notes that Dr. Wiltse has worked on a wide range of environmental programs including research, pollution control, water conservation, habitat restoration, watershed protection, voluntary partnerships, algae blooms, erosion control, enforcement, and grant funding. She served as a member of the Maui Coral Reef Recovery Team; Hawaii Coral Reef Working Group; United States Coral Reef Task Force Steering Committee; Watershed Working Group; Climate Change and Ocean Acidification Working Group; and Injury and Mitigation Working Group; Hawaii Chapter Sierra Club; The Nature Conservancy; and as an advisor to the Maui Nui Marine Resource Council. Your Committee further finds that Dr. Wiltse has been appointed to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission as a member possessing scientific qualifications as evidenced by an academic degree in wildlife or marine biology, botany, forestry, ecology, resource management, biogeography, zoology, or geology based on her knowledge, experience, and commitment to public service.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture that are attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominees, has found the nominees to be qualified for the positions to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water, Land, and Agrigulture,

MIKE GABBARD, Chair

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