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# COUNTY OF MAUI DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

#### SUPPORT FOR HB2034, HD1, SD1

Please accept this testimony in support of House Bill 2034, HD1, SD1 which provides a direct appropriation for the continued restoration and management of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve (Reserve), comprised of the island of Kaho'olawe and 90 square miles of its surrounding waters.

As previous testimony has noted, I am the Chair and Maui County representative for the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission (KIRC), and I can attest to the urgency and importance of providing this secure source of funding. Those of you who have been able to visit Kaho'olawe would hopefully agree.

When the State accepted the return of Kaho`olawe from the United States, it clearly accepted the responsibility to preserve and manage the Reserve while holding it as part of the public land trust until the island and its waters are transferred to the native Hawaiian sovereign entity. The terms of this acceptance were also stated in the federally-mandated Kaho`olawe Island Conveyance Commission final report to Congress in 1993: "in the short term, federal funds will provide the bulk of the program support for specific soil conservation projects and related activities. In the longer term, however, state revenues will be needed to continue and enhance those activities initiated with federal funds" (emphasis added). This funding responsibility, therefore, belongs to the State.

With 25 percent of the island remaining uncleared of unexploded ordnance, a continued round-the-clock 24/7 presence on Kaho'olawe is needed to ensure the protection of the general public. KIRC's Restoration, Ocean Resources and Cultural programs have made great strides in restoring and protecting Kaho'olawe's native ecosystems and cultural resources, which benefit all of Hawai'i's people. Thousands of volunteers from throughout the state have contributed to these efforts over the years; their work should be honored by providing support for these programs to continue. HB2034, HD1, SD1, having restored the original measure's funding of \$600,000, would provide this support, and its passage will help to fulfill the State's commitment to restore and protect the Reserve.

Mahalo for your consideration and support,

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MICHELE MCLEAN Deputy Planning Director, County of Maui Chair, Kaho`olawe Island Reserve Commission

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Testimony of MICHAEL K. NAHO`OPI`I Executive Director

Before the Senate Committee on

WAYS & MEANS

Wednesday, March 30, 2016 9:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211

### In consideration of HOUSE BILL 2034 HD1 SD1 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE KAHO`OLAWE ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION

House Bill 2034 HD1 SD1 appropriates funds to the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission for restoration and preservation projects. Requires submission of a financial self-sufficiency and sustainability plan to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the 2017 Regular Session. This bill is the companion to Senate Bill 2582 SD1, previously heard and passed by the Senate Committee on Ways & Means on March 1, 2016. The Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission (KIRC) strongly supports this measure.

This funding is necessary to continue the KIRC's innovative and acclaimed restoration program that is seeking creative and cost efficient means of preventing surface run-off erosion from damaging the pristine and unique marine resources of the Reserve. The KIRC is doing this while also incorporating and traditional indigenous practices and modern scientific methods.

The key piece of KIRC equipment needed to ensure the continuing restoration effort on Kaho'olawe is the KIRC Landing Craft, 'Ōhua. The 'Ōhua is the primary means of transporting volunteers, staff, supplies, materials and equipment to Kaho'olawe and is critical to ensuring the continuing operations of the KIRC. The funding will be used to cover the operations, repair and maintenance of the KIRC Landing Craft including sufficient staff to safety operate the vessel, regular repairs and preventative maintenance and inspections, replacement of the landing craft trailer and the replacement of vehicles used to support the logistic operations.

For fiscal year 2016, it was necessary for the KIRC to severely reduce operating cost in order to remain within the fiscal constraints of the funds made available from Act 84/2015 (\$1,000,000 in general funds for each year FY2016 and FY2017) the residual of the trust fund and any grants



DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR OF HAWAI'I and charitable contributions raised by the KIRC. We initiated a severe staffing reduction in order to meet the funding appropriated. Four positions were cut (two were occupied), three positions were reduced to half-time (all occupied) and with the agreement of the rest of the thirteen staff members, we all took a 5% pay cut in order that we could continue the restoration work on Kaho'olawe. In addition to funding the boating operations, this request will also provide funding to restore the half-time positions, bring back one of the cut positions and restore the remaining thirteen staff positions in order that we are able to retain the years of expertise developed working to restore this remote, former military bombing range.





### Department of Land and Natural Resources Aha Moku Advisory Committee State of Hawaii Post Office Box 621 Honolulu, Hawaii 96809

Testimony of Leslie Kuloloio Aha Moku Advisory Committee (AMAC) – Moku O Kanaloa (Kahoolawe)

> Before the Senate Committee on Ways and Means Wednesday, March 30, 2016 9:00 A.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 211

#### In Consideration of SENATE BILL 2034 HD 1 SD 1 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE KAHOOLAWE ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION

House Bill 2034 HD 1 appropriates funds to the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission for restoration and preservation projects. It requires submission of a financial self-sufficiency and sustainability plan to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the 2017 Regular Session. Aha Moku <u>SUPPORTS</u> this measure.

Aha Moku encompasses the eight main Hawaiian Islands, which in turn is comprised of 47 moku and 607 ahupua'a. The Aha Moku, created by the Legislature, assists the State through its attachment to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, in the protection and sustainability of its unique natural and cultural resources by bringing forward Native Hawaiian generational and traditional resource methodology. Each Island, with its own moku and ahupuaa, is distinctive and has its own exclusive resources unique to the history and culture of that island.

In the case of Kahoolawe, its place in Hawaiian history is assured and the promise of the United States and the State of Hawaii to return the island to the Hawaiian people must be upheld. Portions of that promise have already lapsed since the Navy did not complete the cleansing of all unexploded ordinances on the island.

As the Po'o of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee representing the Island of Kahoolawe, I and the generational families and communities of Honuaula, the traditional moku attached to Kahoolawe, are strongly behind Aha Moku who supports this measure. Our direct ancestors gave all of the place names to the island. It is we who hold the knowledge of the ancient history and lineage of the ahupua'a on the island, of the ocean, the currents, the winds, the water – every resource that is on or linked to the island. The State of Hawaii cannot allow their protection of Kahoolawe to dwindle into uncertainty and neglect.



Testimony Submitted to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means Hearing: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 9 am Conference Room 425

In Support of HB 2034 HD 1 SD 1 Making an Appropriation to the Kahoʻolawe Island Reserve Commission

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and Members of the Committees.

Aloha. Conservation Council for Hawai'i supports HB 2034 HD 1 SD 1, which appropriates funds to the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission for restoration and preservation projects. Requires submission of a financial self-sufficiency and sustainability plan to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the 2017 Regular Session. (SD1)

The U.S. Navy should fully fund continued restoration and protection of Kaho'olawe. The Navy's destruction of natural and cultural resources may never be completed mitigated, but it is essential for the Navy to fully fund such efforts. We urge the Hawai'i State Legislature, Governor Ige, and our congressional delegation to secure such funding. In the meantime, we must protect the people's investment in returning and restoring the island by fully funding these programs at the state level. Lives have been lost, and many people have worked very hard for so many years to get to this point.

At the close of the 2015 Legislative Session, an important year for KIRC, only one-third of its annual operating budget was funded. While this partial funding provided critical support to close the previous fiscal year, there remains much to do in order to obtain the financial stability required to continue programs and operations.

KIRC is well poised to change the economic landscape and life quality of Native Hawaiians and the communities in which they reside by means of a truly unique experience on the island of Kaho'olawe. It is imperative that we manage and protect this special place for current and future generations by fully funding the Kaho'olawe Rehabilitation Trust Fund.

Kahoʻolawe is the only island reserve set up entirely in trust for a Native Hawaiian sovereign entity, and it is the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety. Nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features remain on the island.

Kahoʻolawe is surrounded by the richest marine ecosystems remaining in the Main Hawaiian Islands, replenishing fish and invertebrates to other island waters. And without the KIRC's ongoing protection of Kahoʻolawe's coastal ecosystem, including the adjacent nearshore environment and coral reefs that can be covered with, and choked by, derelict fishing gear, nets, a huge variety of plastics and other debris items, species including the endangered Hawaiian monk seal, threatened green sea turtle, endangered hawksbill sea turtle, endangered humpback whale, endangered Hawaiian dark-rumped petrel, and threatened Newell's shearwater will be put at risk.

KIRC's massive restoration program designed to revitalize the ecology and cultural history of the island will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. It is imperative that the trust fund be stabilized to continue this work. Please support HB 2034 HD 1 SD 1.

Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to testify. Marjorie Ziegler

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March 28, 2016

TO: Honorable Jill N. Tokuda, Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Stacy Helm Crivello Councilmember

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DATE: March 30, 2016

#### SUBJECT: HEARING OF HB 2034 H.D. 1, S.D. 1, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE KAHO'OLAWE ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission for restoration and preservation projects. It also requires submission of a financial self-sufficiency and sustainability plan to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the 2017 Regular Session.

I **support** this measure for the following reasons:

- 1. The work of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission has been crucial and considerable in the restoration and preservation of the island, however there still remains a lot to be done.
- 2. The federally mandated Kaho'olawe island conveyance commission's final report to Congress in 1993 recognized that long-term funding by the State would be necessary.
- 3. The Federal funding for the cleanup and restoration of the island will be exhausted this year. It is crucial that the State fund the cleanup and preservation efforts of the KIRC and that the KIRC develop a viable financial self-sufficiency and sustainability plan.

For the foregoing reasons, I **support** this measure.

Submitted on: 3/28/2016 Testimony for WAM on Mar 30, 2016 09:00AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jo Ann Agabin	KIRC	Support	No

Comments: The restoration project will continue to provide the older generation pride and satisfaction to preserve the land while teaching the younger generation land values and the Hawaiian culture.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alex Wegmann	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Kaho'olawe Island has the greatest potential for the restoration of native Hawaiian species and ecosystems, and the Hawaiian cultural practices that depend on them. The Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission has engaged thousands of Hawaiian residents and supporters from abroad in the restoration of Kaho'olawe's cultural and natural landscapes, this engagement has been and will continue to be one of the most meaningful ways in which people can physically and otherwise connect with Hawaii's past, present, and future. I support HB2034 because I support Kaho'olawe and the cultivation of an informed Hawaiian public and the healing of native Hawaiian ecosystems.

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Carmela Noneza	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cassandra L. Smith	Individual	Support	No

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### March 28, 2016 Committee on Ways and Means Wednesday, March 30, 2016, 9:00 a.m. **RE: Support for HB2034**

Dear Chair Jill N. Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and Esteemed Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this important issue. My name is Chantrelle Wai'alae, I am a 3rd year law student at Richardson, and I am in support of HB2034.

As a law student, I was very fortunate to visit Kaho'olawe through KIRC twice. I took off from classes and my busy schedule to assist in cleaning and restoring the island. I cannot begin to describe the deep learning and cultural experiences that I had while on the island. As a Hawaiian, I felt connected to my ancestors and I had a deeper understanding of who I am and where I want to go in life. It is a very different connection from my home on O'ahu. I have never felt anything like it anywhere else.

As a law student, I was saddened by the injustice of Kaho'olawe's current situation. I traveled to Kaho'olawe with other law students and law professors. From Native Hawaiian Rights and Environmental law to Business, Corporate law, and Politics, our interests in the law varied. However, when we traveled to Sailor Man's Cap at the end of our visit, we all stood there in awe at the huge crater created by the explosives from "operation sailor hat" and cried. We had traveled to the island for different reasons but we all left with the same love and sorrow for Kaho'olawe.

Kaho'olawe is currently entrusted in the state's care. I believe that we have a responsibility to care for Kaho'olawe and to restore the island so that we can all benefit from it. It is the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety, containing nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features. It has a unique ecosystem that preserves valuable cultural and biological resources and is surrounded by the richest marine ecosystems remaining in the main Hawaiian islands. When I visited the island, KIRC was working to keep the dirt and much of the island itself from erosion and run off into the ocean. If we do not support such efforts, a large amount of the island can run off into the ocean and harm these rich marine ecosystems.

Without KIRC's ongoing protection, Kahoolawe's coastal ecosystem and the nearshore environment and coral reefs will diminish. Endangered species such as the Hawaiian monk seal, green sea turtle, humpback whale and more, will also be put at risk. Please support KIRC's restoration program. Kaho'olawe is has been bombed, forgotten, and neglected. Please help to be a part of a long-term solution and healing for the island and the people of Hawai'i. Please **support HB2034**.

Mahalo,

Chantrelle Wai'alae

Submitted on: 3/28/2016 Testimony for WAM on Mar 30, 2016 09:00AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Clarence Yamamoto	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support this bill and humbly request your support.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
David L. DeMark	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support HB 2034

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Submitted on: 3/29/2016 Testimony for WAM on Mar 30, 2016 09:00AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dean Tokishi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Dean Tokishi, support KIRC bill HB 2034. ... Please support this important measure to provide financial support and stability of the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, which will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. ... As the only Island Reserve set up entirely in trust for a Native Hawaiian Sovereign Entity, the KIRC is well poised to change the economic landscape and life quality of Native Hawaiians and the communities in which they reside by means of a truly unique experience on the island of Kaho'olawe. The State must maintain the responsibility of supporting the Kaho'olawe Rehabilitation Trust Fund. ... As the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety, containing nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features, it is imperative that the State preserves this important resource for current and future generations through this financial support system. ... Without the KIRC's ongoing protection of Kaho'olawe's coastal ecosystem, including the adjacent nearshore environment and coral reefs that can be covered with, and choked by, derelict fishing gear, nets, a huge variety of plastics and other debris items, species including the endangered Hawaiian monk seal, threatened green sea turtle, endangered hawksbill sea turtle, endangered humpback whale, endangered Hawaiian dark-rumped petrel, and endangered Newell's shearwater will be put at risk. It is imperative that a trust fund be stabilized to continue this work. ... Kaho'olawe is a unique ecosystem preserving immensely valuable cultural and biological resources. It is surrounded by the richest marine ecosystems remaining in the Main Hawaiian islands and providing replenishment of fish and invertebrates to other islands' waters. The KIRC's massive restoration program designed to revitalize the ecology and cultural history of the island will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. Please support this bill. Dean Tokishi

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I, Deborah Ng. support KIRC bill HB2034.

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Sincerely, Deborah Ng

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
James Bruch	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, James Bruch, support HB 2034. Kaho'olawe needs the support of the State of Hawai'i to continue the restoration of the island. The KIRC has brought thousands of volunteers to the island reserve and the experience of helping and restoring the island has affected the people of Hawai'i in a positive way. This experience not only helps the island reserve but the volunteer program also teaches and allows people to give back to their own community using the values learned on Kaho'olawe. This community based effort has planted hundreds of thousands of new seedlings onto an island that has been neglected and abused for hundreds of years. After hundreds of years of altering the natural ecosystem by ranching and using as a military bombing range this restoration can not happen overnight. This Bill will allow the KIRC to not only continue the work started in the 1990's but also improve the management of the reserve for all of the future generations of Hawai'i. The value of Kaho'olawe to the State cannot be understated. Kaho'olawe should be a statement for all of Hawai'i in sustainability, restoration and Hawaiian values. With this appropriation the KIRC can continue this mission. Please support HB 2034. Mahalo

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Jennifer Cox	Individual	Support	No

Comments: The KIRC's work is imperative to the restoration of a decimated island, that is important for environmental as well as cultural reasons. It also gives people the opportunity to meaningfully engage in and learn of/from the traditional Native Hawaiian way of life and the history of Hawai'i. I fully support public funds going toward this noble effort.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jenny Wisemark- Cerro	Individual	Support	No

Comments: , Jenny Wisemark-Cerro, support KIRC bill HB2034. ... Please support this important measure to provide financial support and stability of the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, which will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. ... As the only Island Reserve set up entirely in trust for a Native Hawaiian Sovereign Entity, the KIRC is well poised to change the economic landscape and life quality of Native Hawaiians and the communities in which they reside by means of a truly unique experience on the island of Kaho'olawe. The State must maintain the responsibility of supporting the Kaho'olawe Rehabilitation Trust Fund. ... As the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety, containing nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features, it is imperative that the State preserves this important resource for current and future generations through this financial support system. ... Without the KIRC's ongoing protection of Kaho'olawe's coastal ecosystem, including the adjacent nearshore environment and coral reefs that can be covered with, and choked by, derelict fishing gear, nets, a huge variety of plastics and other debris items, species including the endangered Hawaiian monk seal, threatened green sea turtle, endangered hawksbill sea turtle, endangered humpback whale, endangered Hawaiian dark-rumped petrel, and endangered Newell's shearwater will be put at risk. It is imperative that a trust fund be stabilized to continue this work. ... Kaho'olawe is a unique ecosystem preserving immensely valuable cultural and biological resources. It is surrounded by the richest marine ecosystems remaining in the Main Hawaiian islands and providing replenishment of fish and invertebrates to other islands' waters. The KIRC's massive restoration program designed to revitalize the ecology and cultural history of the island will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. Please support this bill.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jordan Inafuku	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Jordan Inafuku, SUPPORT KIRC Bill HB2034, which seeks to provide financial support and stability for the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve. Not only does this bill help to preserve an integral part of Hawaiian culture and save thousands of archaeological and historic sites, but it also constitutes a small initial step in fulfilling the State's fiduciary obligations as trustee of this land. When the State received Kaho'olawe back from the United States, it recognized that "state revenues will be needed to continue and enhance those [conservation] activities initiated with federal funds." Final Report of the Kaho'olawe Island Conveyance Commission to Congress (1993). Sufficient state revenues have not been provided, and the resulting degradation of Kaho'olawe represents a legally actionable breach of trust and a disappointing demonstration of our government's ability to manage and take care of its own public lands. Please support HB2034 and begin to rectify the situation on Kaho'olawe.

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Joshua Kaakua	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
kareem fuertes	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I would like to submit testimony in support of HB2034. I was fortunate to be able to volunteer on Kaho'olawe in 2015. The cultural lessons learned on the trip reinvigorated my love for the Islands of Hawaii. Kaho'olawe has a special place in my heart. I commend the mission of the KIRC. Please continue support to them so that future generations can enjoy and experience the beautiful island of Kaho'olawe.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
F John Koch Jr	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Knowing what we are; where we came from, and the land we live in or on should be some of those things that we as a society just ought to pursue. Given the history of volunteerism and care for the KAHO'OLAWE ISLAND RESERVE, should go a long way toward pursuing those goals, which need not include tall buildings or targets painted on the hillsides. We should respect our lands and would only ask for some help with the wherewithal to accomplish that mission. Your consideration is appreciated. Thank you very much. F. John Koch, Jr.

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katie larkin	Individual	Support	No

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Kelly McHugh	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this important measure to provide financial support and stability of the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, which will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come.

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Kevin Gavagan	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am submitting testimony in support of the State appropriating funding to support the KIRC's on going mission to restore and preserve Kanaloa. The island is known for its uniqueness in being a reserve, a cultural classroom, and an example of sustainability. Let us not shirk our responsibility to malama this sacred aina and pass on the many lessons it still has to teach us.

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Please support funding for the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission, and increase the amount.

Thank you

Elaine Wender

#### **TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB2034**

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As the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety, containing nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features, it is imperative that the State preserves this important resource for current and future generations through this financial support system.

Without the KIRC's ongoing protection of Kaho'olawe's coastal ecosystem, including the adjacent nearshore environment and coral reefs that can be covered with, and choked by, derelict fishing gear, nets, a huge variety of plastics and other debris items, species including the endangered Hawaiian monk seal, threatened green sea turtle, endangered hawksbill sea turtle, endangered humpback whale, endangered Hawaiian dark-rumped petrel, and endangered Newell's shearwater will be put at risk. It is imperative that a trust fund be stabilized to continue this work.

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Much work has already been done, but there is still much more that is necessary. Do not let us lose this treasure!

Please support this HB2034.

Leona Seto-Mook Ism@aloha.net

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Lisa Grandinetti	Individual	Support	No

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Lyman L. Abbott	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Please support HB 2034 so we can continue to restore the island of Kaho`olawe. Thank you, Lyman

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Maria Bediako	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Maria Bediako, support KIRC bill HB2034. ... Please support this important measure to provide financial support and stability of the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, which will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. ... As the only Island Reserve set up entirely in trust for a Native Hawaiian Sovereign Entity, the KIRC is well poised to change the economic landscape and life quality of Native Hawaiians and the communities in which they reside by means of a truly unique experience on the island of Kaho'olawe. The State must maintain the responsibility of supporting the Kaho'olawe Rehabilitation Trust Fund. ... As the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety, containing nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features, it is imperative that the State preserves this important resource for current and future generations through this financial support system. ... Without the KIRC's ongoing protection of Kaho'olawe's coastal ecosystem, including the adjacent nearshore environment and coral reefs that can be covered with, and choked by, derelict fishing gear, nets, a huge variety of plastics and other debris items, species including the endangered Hawaiian monk seal, threatened green sea turtle, endangered hawksbill sea turtle, endangered humpback whale, endangered Hawaiian dark-rumped petrel, and endangered Newell's shearwater will be put at risk. It is imperative that a trust fund be stabilized to continue this work. ... Kaho'olawe is a unique ecosystem preserving immensely valuable cultural and biological resources. It is surrounded by the richest marine ecosystems remaining in the Main Hawaiian islands and providing replenishment of fish and invertebrates to other islands' waters. The KIRC's massive restoration program designed to revitalize the ecology and cultural history of the island will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. Please support this bill.

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Martha Evans	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Martha Evans, support KIRC bill HB 2034 and humbly ask that you also support this important measure to provide financial support and stability for the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, which will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. As the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety, containing nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features, it is imperative that the State provide sufficient funding to preserve this important resource for current and future generations. Without the KIRC's ongoing protection of Kaho'olawe's coastal ecosystem, including the adjacent nearshore environment and coral reefs, a significant number of endangered and threatened species will continue to be at risk for extinction in the very near future. Kaho'olawe is a unique ecosystem preserving immensely valuable cultural and biological resources. It is surrounded by the richest marine ecosystems remaining in the Main Hawaiian islands. The KIRC's massive restoration program designed to revitalize the ecology and cultural history of the island will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. Please support this bill. Respectfully, Martha Evans

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Michael Reyes	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Michael Reyes, support KIRC bill HB2034. Please support this important measure to provide financial support and stability of the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, which will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. As the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety, containing nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features, it is imperative that the State preserves this important resource for current and future generations through this financial support system. Mahalo

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mosi williams	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Mosi Williams, support KIRC bill HB2034. Please support this important measure to provide financial support and stability of the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, which will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. ... As the only Island Reserve set up entirely in trust for a Native Hawaiian Sovereign Entity, the KIRC is well poised to change the economic landscape and life quality of Native Hawaiians and the communities in which they reside by means of a truly unique experience on the island of Kaho'olawe. The State must maintain the responsibility of supporting the Kaho'olawe Rehabilitation Trust Fund. ... As the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety, containing nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features, it is imperative that the State preserves this important resource for current and future generations through this financial support system. ... Without the KIRC's ongoing protection of Kaho'olawe's coastal ecosystem, including the adjacent nearshore environment and coral reefs that can be covered with, and choked by, derelict fishing gear, nets, a huge variety of plastics and other debris items, species including the endangered Hawaiian monk seal, threatened green sea turtle, endangered hawksbill sea turtle, endangered humpback whale, endangered Hawaiian dark-rumped petrel, and endangered Newell's shearwater will be put at risk. It is imperative that a trust fund be stabilized to continue this work. ... Kaho'olawe is a unique ecosystem preserving immensely valuable cultural and biological resources. It is surrounded by the richest marine ecosystems remaining in the Main Hawaiian islands and providing replenishment of fish and invertebrates to other islands' waters. The KIRC's massive restoration program designed to revitalize the ecology and cultural history of the island will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. Please support this bill.

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Noelani Puniwai	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support financial funding for the restoration of Kaho'olawe. It is our kuleana to malama her and the States kuleana to fund this important initiative. Noelani Puniwai, Hilo, Hawaii

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Phil Herres	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I,Phil Herres, support KIRC bill HB2034. Attached is a photo of part of the crew when I was there planting, in this pic, grass to reduce the massive rainstorm runoff from flowing into the ocean. In my week there the only thing missing was the orange jumpsuits worn by inmates -- they really worked us planting grass and bushes of various kinds to control erosion all over the island. Very long days! We also visited a few of the native Hawaiian cultural sites. was very surprised by the number and historical importance of so many of them. Therefore, please support this important measure to provide financial support and stability of the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, which will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. As the only Island Reserve set up entirely in trust for a Native Hawaiian Sovereign Entity, the KIRC is well poised to change the economic landscape and life quality of Native Hawaiians and the communities in which they reside by means of a truly unique experience on the island of Kaho'olawe. The State must maintain the responsibility of supporting the Kaho'olawe Rehabilitation Trust Fund. As the only island listed on the National Register of Historic Places in its entirety, containing nearly 3,000 archaeological sites and features, it is imperative that the State preserves this important resource for current and future generations through this financial support system. Without the KIRC's ongoing protection of Kaho'olawe's coastal ecosystem, including the adjacent nearshore environment and coral reefs that can be covered with, and choked by, derelict fishing gear, nets, a huge variety of plastics and other debris items, species including the endangered Hawaiian monk seal, threatened green sea turtle, endangered hawksbill sea turtle, endangered humpback whale, endangered Hawaiian dark-rumped petrel, and endangered Newell's shearwater will be put at risk. It is imperative that a trust fund be stabilized to continue this work. Kaho'olawe is a unique ecosystem preserving immensely valuable cultural and biological resources. It is surrounded by the richest marine ecosystems remaining in the Main Hawaiian islands and providing replenishment of fish and invertebrates to other islands' waters. The KIRC's massive restoration program designed to revitalize the ecology and cultural history of the island will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to come. Please support this bill. Thank you, Phil Herres

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pookela hanson	Individual	Support	No

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Robert Fox	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I assisted in the island restoration and believe it needs to become a heritage site for Hawaiians. I support this legislation.

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As a community volunteer, I, Robert S.K. Lee III, **<u>SUPPORT</u>** KIRC Bill HB2034.

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Ronda Roberson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Ronda Roberson, support KIRC bill HB 2034. Please support this important measure to provide financial support and stability of the restoration and protection of Kaho'olawe Island Reserve. It is important for all of Hawaii's people that the environment, coastal ecosystem, endangered species and the cultural history of Kaho'olawe Island be protected and preserved.

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I, Roy Kākulu Alameida, a resident of Kea'au, Hawai'i, share testimony in full support of Kaho'olawe Island Reserve HB2034.

I am asking for your support of this important measure to provide the finances for stability of the restoration and protection of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve, which will benefit all of Hawai'i's people for generations to follow.

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I humbly ask for your full support of HB2034.

'O au me ka ha'aha'a,

Roy Alameida Hawaiʻi Island resident

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Sara Tekula	Individual	Support	No

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I, Shawna Cooper, support KIRC bill HB 2034.

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I humbly ask that the committee pass this measure. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Susan Forsyth	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support this bill and so should all of the legislators. This bill is vital to the continued progress made on Kaho'olawe. I spent five days on this wonderful Island in December. I was part of a group of 22 individuals and we planted 3,000 native Hawaiian plants. The restoration of Kaho'olawe needs to continue for many years. It promises to be a wonderful cultural and historical gathering place. Please join me and support this bill.

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Tamara Moan	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I, Tamara Moan, wish to express my support for HB2034. This important measure will provide continuing financial support and stability for the restoration and protection of the Kahoolawe Island Reserve. This reserve benefits all of Hawaii's people, now and into the future. The State must maintain its support of the Kahoolawe Rehabilitation Trust Fund which enables KIRC to continue its work in protecting the island's ecosystem and archaeological features. As an area that includes unique natural and cultural resources, the island reserve must continue to be restored through the excellent efforts of KIRC. Mahalo for accepting my testimony in support of HB2034. Tamara Moan

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terence miyahana	Individual	Support	No

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Terri Gavagan	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this very important bill so that the vital work on Kahoolawe can be continued for future generations.

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I, Eva Hubbard, support KIRC bill (HB #2034),

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Eva Hubbard 89-605 Ulei Loop Waianae, Hawaii, 96792 (808)383-8221