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WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF
RODERICK K. BECKER, COMPTROLLER
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TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
ON
FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2018
10:00 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 016

G.M. 585 and G.M. 586

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE KING KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, BRENDON LEE, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2018 AND A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2022.

Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Rhoads, and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify before you on the confirmation of gubernatorial nominee Brendon Lee to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission. The Department of Accounting and General Services recommends that Mr. Lee be confirmed for terms expiring on 06-30-2018 and 06-30-2022.

Hawaii Revised Statutes Section 8-5 requires that the Commission shall have one member representing the Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association. Mr. Lee is a member of the Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association, and his appointment to the two terms fulfill the statutory requirement for representation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

<u>GM-585</u> Submitted on: 3/8/2018 10:45:27 AM

Testimony for JDC on 3/9/2018 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Trevor Kainoa Daines	Testifying for King Kamehameha Celebration Commission	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

I am in support of Brendon Lee becoming a member of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, seated in the Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association seat.

Mahalo, Kainoa Daines, Chair King Kamehameha Celebration Commission

JDCTestimony

From:

Daryl Fujiwara <sfdhawaii@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, March 8, 2018 11:12 AM

To: Subject: JDCTestimony GM585/GM586

Aloha,

I am in support of Brendon Lee becoming a member of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, seated in the Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association seat.

Mahalo, Daryl Fujiwara, Maui King Kamehameha Celebration Commission

JDCTestimony

From:

Kehau Pe'a <lonoheahe@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, March 8, 2018 9:13 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Brendon Kalei'āina Lee - Testimony of Support

Aloha mai kāua,

I am in support of Brendon Kalei'āina Lee to become a member of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, seated in the Kamehameha Schools Alumni Ads seat.

Mahalo,

Kēhau Pe'a, Legislative Committee Chair

King Kamehameha Celebration Commission - Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs



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From: Antoinette L. Lee, Past Chair, King Kamehameha Celebration Commission

To: Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair, Judiciary Committee

Senator Karl Rhoads, Vice Chair

Subject: GM 585 – Confirmation Hearing Re: Brendon Kaleiaina Lee to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, for a term to expire 06-30-18 and

GM 586 - Confirmation Hearing Re: Brendon Kaleiaina Lee to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, for a term to expire 06-30- 2022

My name is Antoinette L. Lee and I am a Past President of the Kamehameha Alumni Association `Oahu Region as well as a Past Chair of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission and it's parades. I am here to testify in support of Brendon Kaleiaina Lee's Confirmation to sit on the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission. I served several terms and was appointed by Governor George Ariyoshi and was on the Commission for a total of 17 years. Brendon has been involved in all of these Parades as a Parade Planner and Official Starter.

Brendon is a Graduate of Kamehameha Schools Kapalama Campus of the Class of 1987. He is the President of the Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association 'Oahu Region and has been for the last three years. He has just been elected as the President of the Kamehameha Alumni Association which is a National Organization. Brendon is a very active member of the Pearl Harbor Hawaiian Civic Club and has been a Member for the past 35 years. Brendon is the Second Vice President of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs which is a National Organization and has been its Second Vice President for the past three years. In 2017 Brendon was the Chair of the AHA that was held here on Oahu in February where they were able to successfully meet and come up with a Constitution. Being involved in these organizations has given him a lot of leadership skills and confidence that will be very valuable as a Commissioner of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission. Brendon is able to write Policies , follow directions and lead with a very calm cool and professional demeanor. Brendon will be sitting on the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission representing the Kamehameha Schools Alumni.

Our club is one of the largest clubs in the Association with a paid membership of 175 members. We are a very active and visible club in the community. We continue to strive to make our Hawai`i a better place to live. We do this by collaborating with organizations in our community such as, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Friends of the Royal Hawaiian Band; an international club, Lunalilo Home (a home for our elderly), the reconstruction of Loko Ea Fishpond, the Hawai`i Youth Opera Chorus, Kawaiolaonapukanileo, Aloha Festivals, Kawaiaha`o Church, the King Kamehameha Hula Competition, Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaniana`ole Celebration, providing Hawaiian arts and crafts for conventions coming to Hawai`i, and maintaining Mauna`ala; the Royal Mausoleum where our Ali`i are buried.

As a member of these Organizations he is able to communicate through technology of the present, and continue to perpetuate and rely on the knowledge of our kupuna, (elders) as we empower and shape the future generations of Hawai'i. Brendon is a leader and is able to teach good leadership skills to the memberships of organizations he belongs to. All of these attributes will be very valuable to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

Brendon is very organized, and able to make hard decisions, is a multi tasker and is able to work well with others. His experience in planning, staging, working with the community and implementing what he has learned has qualified him in my opinion to sit on the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

Having been a Past King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Chair and Chair of the King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade for 17 years, Chair of the Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaniana`ole Pi`ikoi Parade for 6 years and the Chair of the Aloha Festivals Floral Parade now for 8 years qualifies me to very highly recommend Brendon Kaleiaina Lee to be appointed as a Commissioner representing the Kamehameha Alumni Association on the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission.

Very respectfully,

Toni Lee

Antoinette L. Lee

Immediate Past President of the Pearl Harbor Hawaiian Civic Club and the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs and Past Chair of the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission and Parades, and Chair of the Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaniana`ole Parade and Festival and the Aloha Festivals Floral Parade