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From: Meyer Cummins, LPLS

Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Subject: In Favor of HB 1877, HD 1 Relating to Land Recordation

Honorable Representatives of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce and the Committee on Judiciary

Thank you for allowing me to testify in favor of HB 1877, HD 1.

My name is Meyer Cummins and I am a land surveyor in the State of Hawai'i. I am also the President of the Hawai'i Land Surveyors Association which represents a majority of the licensed land surveyors in the State.

I am in favor of HB 1877, HD 1 as it addresses the important issue of insufficiently mapped and described original Hawaiian land titles for lands being deregistered from the Land Court. Correct descriptions are critical to the conveyance of land title and protecting the basic land rights of the public which we serve.

HB 1877, HD 1 provides for both a uniform method of mapping and of giving constructive notice that land deregistration has occurred. Correct mapping and descriptions of original Hawaiian land titles preserve the identity of Hawai'i's past and is integral to the history of Hawai'i's culture, its land and its people. It is critical to the conveyance of Hawai'i's lands.

Mahalo nui for this opportunity to testify. Should you have any questions, I can be reached at (808)294-3051 and I will make myself available for questions.

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Thank you for allowing me to testify in favor of HB 1877, HD 1.

My name is Karl Nishio and I am a land surveyor in the State of Hawaii. I am also a member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association which represents a majority of the licensed land surveyors in the State.

I am in favor of HB 1877, HD 1 as it addresses the important issue of insufficiently mapped and described original Hawaiian land titles for lands being deregistered from the Land Court. Correct descriptions are critical to the conveyance of land title and protecting the basic land rights of the public which we serve.

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Mahalo nui for this opportunity to testify. Should you have any questions, I can be reached at (808) 524-7100 x101 and I will make myself available for questions.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Karl Nishio', is written over a horizontal line.

Karl Nishio

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HB-1877-HD-1

Submitted on: 2/11/2020 1:10:29 PM

Testimony for CPC on 2/12/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeffrey Sato	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Thank you for allowing me to testify in favor of HB 1877, HD 1. I am Jeff Sato, and I am licensed as a land surveyor and a civil engineer in the State of Hawaii. I am also an active member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association, which represents a majority of the licensed land surveyors in the State of Hawaii.

I am testifying in favor of HB 1877, HD 1. The bill appropriately addresses the important issue of insufficiently mapped and described original Hawaiian land titles for lands being deregistered from the Land Court. Correct mapping and accompanying descriptions are critical to the proper conveyance of land title. Systematic mapping protects the basic land rights of our clients and the public.

HB 1877, HD 1 provides for both a uniform method of mapping and of giving constructive notice that land deregistration has occurred. I am satisfied that the State Bureau of Conveyances also addressed issues in the bill. It is a critical step to maintaining proper conveyance of Hawaii's lands.

HB-1877-HD-1

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Testimony for CPC on 2/12/2020 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andy R. Harada	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

My name is Andy Harada and I am a land surveyor in the State of Hawaii. I am also a member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association which represents a majority of the licensed land surveyors in the State.

I am in favor of HB 1877, HD 1 as it addresses the important issue of insufficiently mapped and described original Hawaiian land titles for lands being deregistered from the Land Court. Correct descriptions are critical to the conveyance of land title and protecting the basic land rights of the public which we serve.

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From: Cliff Yim, LPLS

Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Subject: In Favor of HB 1877, HD 1 relating to Land Recordation

Honorable Representatives of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Finance and the Committee on Judiciary

Thank you for allowing me to testify in favor of HB 1877, HD 1.

My name is Cliff Yim and I am a land surveyor in the State of Hawaii. I am also a member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association which represents a majority of the licensed land surveyors in the State.

I am in favor of HB 1877, HD 1 as it addresses the important issue of insufficiently mapped and described original Hawaiian land titles for lands being deregistered from the Land Court. Correct descriptions are critical to the conveyance of land title and protecting the basic land rights of the public which we serve.

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Mahalo nui for this opportunity to testify. Should you have any questions, I can be reached at (808) 445-9145 and I will make myself available for questions.

Mahalo Nui Loa,



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From: Ross Tanaka

Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Subject: In Favor of HB 1877, HD 1 relating to Land Recordation

Honorable Representatives of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Finance and the
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Thank you for allowing me to testify in favor of HB 1877, HD 1.

My name is Ross Tanaka and I am a land surveyor in the State of Hawaii. I am also a member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association which represents a majority of the licensed land surveyors in the State.

I am in favor of HB 1877, HD 1 as it addresses the important issue of insufficiently mapped and described original Hawaiian land titles for lands being deregistered from the Land Court. Correct descriptions are critical to the conveyance of land title and protecting the basic land rights of the public which we serve.

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Mahalo nui for this opportunity to testify. Should you have any questions, I can be reached at (808) 524-7100 and I will make myself available for questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ross Tanaka", written in a cursive style.

Ross Tanaka

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From: Joanne Williamson, Licensed Professional Land Surveyor

Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Subject: In Favor of HB 1877, HD 1 relating to Land Recordation

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Thank you for allowing me to testify in favor of HB 1877, HD 1.

My name is Joanne Williamson and I am a land surveyor in the State of Hawaii. I am also a member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association which represents a majority of the licensed land surveyors in the State, and the representative from Hawaii to the National Society of Professional Surveyors.

I am in favor of HB 1877, HD 1 as it addresses the important issue of insufficiently mapped and described original Hawaiian land titles for lands being deregistered from the Land Court. Correct descriptions are critical to the conveyance of land title and protecting the basic land rights of the public which we serve.

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Mahalo nui for this opportunity to testify. Should you have any questions, I can be reached at 436-6725 and I will make myself available for questions.

With highest regard,

Joanne Williamson

