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COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

From: Meyer Cummins, LPLS

Date: Wednesday, February 25, 2020

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

Honorable Representatives of the Committee on FInance

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

My name is Meyer Cummins and I am a Licensed Professional Land Surveyor. I am also the President of the Hawai'i Land Surveyors Association. HLSA 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.

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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 Hawai'i and a member 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.

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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.

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COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

From: Cliff Yim, LPLS

Date: Wednesday, February 25, 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 Cliff Yim and I am a land surveyor in the State of Hawai'i. I am also a member 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) 445-9145 and I will make myself available for questions.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

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Cliff Yim, LPLS

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Jeffrey Sato	Individual	Support	No

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From: Jeff Sato Date: Wednesday, February 25, 2020 Subject: In Favor of HB 1877, HD 1 Relating to Land Recordation

Honorable Representatives of the Committee on Finance

I am Jeff Sato, and am also a land surveyor in the State of Hawai'i. I am also an active member of the Hawai'i Land Surveyors Association which represents a majority of the licensed land surveyors in the State.

I am submitting testimony in favor of HB 1877, HD 1. The draft favorably addresses the issue of inadequately mapped and described original Hawaiian land titles of lands currently being deregistered from the Land Court. Correct descriptions are essential for the conveyance of land title and for protecting the basic land rights of the citizens we serve.

HB 1877, HD 1 is an appropriate means for providing both a uniform method of mapping and of giving fair notice that land deregistration has occurred. Correct mapping and descriptions of original Hawaiian land titles preserves the proper historical conveyance of Hawai'i's lands.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Andy R. Harada	Individual	Support	No

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From: Andy R. Harada

Date: Wednesday, February 25, 2020

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

Honorable Representatives of the Committee on Finance

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

My name is Andy R. Harada, Licensed Professional Land Surveyor in the State of Hawaii. I am a member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association which represents a majority of the licensed land surveyors in the State and a member of 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.

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.

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Mahalo Nui Loa,

Andy R. Harada, LPLS