

## GM688

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL, ISLAND OF HAWAI'I, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, NORMAN KAIMULOA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2023 Ke Kōmike 'Aha Kenekoa o ke Kuleana Hawai'i Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

Malaki 16, 2021	1:00 p.m.	Hālāwai Keleka'a'ike

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) <u>SUPPORTS</u> GM688, which would confirm OHA Nominee Norman Kaimuloa as the Kona regional representative on the Hawai'i (HIBC).

Mr. Kaimuloa maintains strong ties to his moku as his family has lived on their kuleana since 1850. His cultural knowledge is grounded in his experiences as a member of the Royal Order of Kamehameha I and a caretaker of Aha Umi and Likelike. Mr. Kaimuloa has generously served on the HIBC since 2016, contributing much valued 'ike and mana'o to the discussions, negotiations, and decisions. OHA believes Mr. Kaimuloa would continue to be a valued member of the HIBC.

For these reasons, OHA urges the Committee to **PASS** GM688 to confirm Mr. Kaimuloa to the HIBC. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Before the Senate Committee on HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, March 16, 2021 1:00 PM-2:30 PM State Capitol, Via Videoconference

## In consideration of GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 688 SUBMITTING FOR THE CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL, ISLAND OF HAWAI'I, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, NORMAN KAIMULOA FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2023

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports Governor's Message 688, nominating Mr. Norman Kaimuloa to the Island Burial Council, Island of Hawai'i expiring June 30, 2023.

The Island Burial Councils are established under Section 6E-43.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The Councils determine whether to preserve or relocate previously identified native Hawaiian burial sites, recognize lineal and cultural descendants, and provide counsel and advice to the Department.

Mr. Kaimuloa is a resident of Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i. He has had family ties and history to that area since the 1850's. Norman is a member of the Royal Order of Kamehameha. He has always had an interest in protecting the iwi of his ancestors. He has been serving on the Hawai'i Burial Council since 2017 and has made significant contribution in furtherance of providing protecting of native Hawaiian burial sites.

Senate confirmation will ensure that Mr. Kaimuloa's knowledge and perspective informs the deliberations of the Hawai'i Island Burial Council until June 30, 2023.

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