Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair

Representative Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair



## Committee on Finance

From: Christina Villa

Date: Thursday, February 25, 2021

Subject: In Favor of HB 244 HD1 Relating to Land Recordation

Honorable Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair, Representative Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair, and members of the Committee on Finance

Thank you for allowing me to testify in favor of HB 244 HD1.

My name is Christina Villa 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 strongly support HB 244 HD1 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 244 provides for both a uniform method of mapping and for 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 loa for this opportunity to testify. Should you have any questions, I can be reached at (808) 690-1714 or <u>cvilla@pareninc.com</u> and I will make myself available for questions.

Very Sincerely,

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From: Joanne Williamson, LPLS

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Thank you for allowing me to testify in favor of HB 244 HD1.

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.

I strongly support HB 244 HD1 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)436-6725 or <u>Surv1hi@gmail.com</u>, and I will make myself available for questions.

Very Sincerely,

Joanne Williamson, LPLS #10,555



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From: Victor M. Rasgado

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Thank you for allowing me to testify in favor of HB 244 HD1.

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

I strongly support HB 244 HD1 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 808-208-2837.

Very Sincerely,

Victor M Rasgado, LPLS Secretary, Hawaii Land Surveyors Association

