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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

DATE: Thursday, January 20, 2022
TIME: 1:00pm
PLACE: Via Videoconference

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A G E N D A

Discussions may include how to create new public policies that specifically define and protect the cultural practice while enabling its proper perpetuation and looking at ways the State of Hawai'i can further solidify its connection to hula and elevate its standing at home and abroad.

On August 21 & 22, 2021 the inaugural Kupukalālā Kumu Hula Convention was held with over 150 verified Kumu Hula who came together to discuss and ultimately ratify a document they called, "Huamakahikina Declaration on the Integrity, Stewardship, and Protection of Hula". The document covers the abuse and ignorance of hula, including intentional and unintentional acts of cultural misappropriation. It also attempts to address many of the contemporary issues that hula faces today and seeks to be a starting point on how to move hula forward in a culturally grounded way.

The Committees will be pleased to hear from these representatives about this important document and the insights gained throughout the process of its creation. They also look forward to hearing recommendations on how as policy makers and a community more can be done to safeguard this beloved cultural institution from further harm.

The presentation will be followed by a session of Q&As that will include next steps to be taken at the Legislative and Community levels.

No public testimony will be accepted.

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