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April 4, 2023

Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair Senator Brandon J.C. Elefante, Vice Chair Committee on Water and Land

Hawai'i State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

# RE: SUPPORT FOR GM 537 — MICHELLE WONG-WILSON MAUNA KEA STEWARDSHIP AND OVERSIGHT AUTHORITY

Dear Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante, and Members of the Committee on Water and Land,

This letter is written in <u>strong support</u> of Gubernatorial Nominee Michelle "Noe Noe" Wong-Wilson as a member of the Maunakea Stewardship Oversight Authority.

As a Native Hawaiian educator, cultural practitioner, and active community leader, Dr. Wong-Wilson brings to the authority a tremendous wealth of experience and institutional knowledge, and her resume speaks for itself. Furthermore, having known her professionally and personally for many years, I can attest that she is a natural leader with a grounding, level-setting voice of understanding and sensibility.

Dr. Wong-Wilson will be a valuable addition to the authority, and I strongly urge your committee's approval.

Aloha Piha,

Susan "Sue" L.K. Lee Loy Council Member, County of Hawai'i, District 3



To:	Senate Committee on Water and Land
	Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair
	Senator Brandon Elefante, Vice Chair
	Senator Stanley Chang
	Senator Angus McKelvey
	Senator Kurt Fevella
From:	Jean-Gabriel Cuby, Canada France Hawaii Telescope Executive Director
Date:	April 5, 2023
GM:	537
GM Title:	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight
	Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, MICHELLE WONG-WILSON, for a term to expire 06-30-
	2025.
	2023.
Subject:	SUPPORT for GM537

Aloha Chair Inouye and members of the committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in **strong support** of Dr. Michelle "Noe Noe" Wong-Wilson's confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, for a term to expire June 30, 2025.

As an educator, cultural practitioner, and scholar versed in indigenous rights, Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson is committed to respectful dialogue with the astronomical community to define a future for Maunakea in which culture and science are mutually-supportive, respecting and benefiting both the local and global scientific communities. As one of the elders arrested at the 2019 events, Dr. Wong-Wilson's commitment to the mountain is unquestionable, which she has continued to demonstrate by actively leading in constructive dialogue with the broader community about the future of Mauna Kea, including conversations with the astronomy community.

Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson also participated in a workshop between astronomers and indigenous peoples prior to the American Astronomical Society conference in Seattle in January 2023. Along with John Komeiji and Rich Matsuda, Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson participated in a panel discussion at this meeting, which received a standing ovation, recognizing the courageous work of defining a new path for equitable, representative governance for the mountain under a new paradigm. Along with Lanakila Mangauil, Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson visited CFHT for a full day, engaging in passionate, open and direct discussions with the observatory staff. Her ability to engage thoughtfully, respectfully, and constructively will serve the MKSOA board well in developing community-based mutual stewardship.

I support Noe Noe Wong-Wilson's confirmation, along with the full slate of nominees for the MKSOA, to continue the work they have begun as interim board members over the past several months to cocreate a pono future for Maunakea governance and decision-making. Thank you very much for your consideration of my testimony.

Mahalo nui loa,

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Director Jean-Gabriel Cuby, Canada-France-Hawai'i Telescope

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/2/2023 9:35:06 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kupuna for the Mo'opuna	Testifying for Kupuna for the Moopuna	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

**SUPPORT** for consideration and confirmation to the Maunakea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee **MICHELLE WONG-WILSON**.

Mahalo,

Kūpuna for the Moʻopuna

Pana'ewa, Hawai'i



# April 5, 2023

# TESTIMONY OF THE ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS To the Senate Committee on Water and Land

# Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, MICHELLE WONG-WILSON, for a term to expire 06-30-2025.

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Brandon Elefante, and members of the Committee:

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs testifies in <u>SUPPORT</u> of GM 537 which confirms Michelle Noe Noe Wong-Wilson to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority.

Dr. Wong-Wilson is long-time educator, community leader, cultural practitioner, and ardent protector of significant cultural sites and resources. Among her community affiliations, Dr. Wong-Wilson is a member of the Hawaiian Civic Club of Hilo and the Kohala Hawaiian Civic Club and also recently served on the board of directors of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs. She also was one of 15 individuals appointed to the Mauna Kea Working Group established by House Resolution 33 (2021) that made recommendations that facilitated the creation of the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. With her collective professional, academic, and community experience, Dr. Wong-Wilson is an excellent nominee for this role.

Founded by Prince Kūhiō in 1918, the Hawaiian Civic Club movement is the oldest Native Hawaiian community-based advocacy movement. The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs is a not-for-profit organization that is a confederation of 61 individual and autonomous Hawaiian Civic Clubs located across Hawai'i and across the continental United States. With more than 3,000 members, we advocate for improved welfare of Native Hawaiians in culture, health, economic development, and education.

We appreciate your favorable consideration of our support for Dr. Michelle Noe Noe Wong-Wilson.

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/1/2023 2:18:44 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
KATHERINE ROSEGUO	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha. I am a Hawai'i island voter and Hawaiian language speaker who works on Maunakea. I am writing to urge you to reject the nominees for the Maunakea Authority who protested the construction of TMT by illegally blocking the road.

There are so many talented and knowledgeable native Hawaiians who can walk in both the past and the future. Do not reward people who threaten, scream misinformation and block the road and with power. They will put all us local people who work on Maunakea out of work while they crush our childrens' dreams. <u>"You Will Not Build On Maunakea"</u> Mililani Trask Tells NSF (Aug. 9, 2022)

I have listed the nominees I am concerned about below along with the evidence (links).

The nominees I am concerned about comprise a majority of the people selected to serve on the Authority. The evidence below shows that they will not honor Astronomy as state policy. In addition, I have been viewing the meetings thus far, and it appears that the people on this Authority are not interested in serving the public, but rather in political power. They want to spend millions of dollars to hire all these people to do the job that UH did and worked so hard to improve. Nonetheless, those efforts were ignored and the "mismanagement" of 20 years ago was used to justify tossing UH under the bus and create a whole new Authority paid for by taxpayers, with no apparent oversight. But here we are.

The nominees I am concerned about are:

Kamanamaikalani Beamer: https://www.facebook.com/1180085812/videos/10218301693551963/

Gary Krug, Pomaikai Bertelmann, Michelle "Noe Noe" Wong-Wilson All of the above are in this video: <u>https://www.facebook.com/710585613/videos/10157091730755614/</u>

Joshua Mangauil: https://fb.watch/g81tBrP7KJ/

Pomaikai Bertelmann https://youtu.be/iwRnQQn6m2E at 5:02, 8:19

As a former public school teacher, I ask: Why even teach STEM to our local kids if the state is actively destroying opportunities for students to pursue careers in physics and astronomy at UH and be able to remain in the islands instead of moving to the mainland? Do you not believe in our youth? Why pit the Hawaiian community as a whole against the sciences when so many Hawaiians and other local people support astronomy and the many technical and other local jobs which follow it?

You might wonder why more did not volunteer to be on the MKSOA. The truth is, people are scared. Supporting astronomy of any kind has become synonymous with being anti-Hawaiian. Nothing is further from the truth. Having taught science in Hawaiian at Nāwahī, I have witnessed the beauty of combining culture and science. What's sad is that our kids who think physics and astronomy is cool stay silent, with so much hatred and anger directed towards astronomy. Those of us who live on Big Island see "'A'ole TMT" stickers on people's cars, "Kū Kia'i Mauna" on people's shirts in the grocery store, and many have experienced threats of violence, even former Governor Ige. Native Hawaiian astrophysicists and navigators have gotten threats from their own families and the community. We feel unsafe, especially after Harry Kim and Ige reward protestors by using taxpayer funds to lay down gravel at the protest site. Protestors claim that their voices haven't been heard, but the truth is, the media seems to ONLY give weight to those voices. To testify in person in support of astronomy is absolutely terrifying, especially when some lawmakers have been emboldened by how yelling and screaming has served them. Is this who we in Hawai'i have become?

The actual silenced voices, left unacknowledged by the media as well as our own state government, are the local people who support astronomy and STEM education, and see a future for our keiki to stay in Hawai'i instead of moving away after they graduate. They don't want tourism or the military to be the only future for our kids.

I am advocating for the nomination of native Hawaiians who are able to walk in Hawai'i kahiko as well as Hawai'i today: modern native Hawaiians who perpetuate our cultural heritage of celestial navigation and natural observation by contributing to and supporting the most advanced astronomy and space sciences: people like the late Paul Coleman, Kalepa Baybayan, and Wally Ishibashi, may they rest among the stars. Others who are here with us: Heather Kaluna, Brittany Kamai, Makana Silva, Tyler Trent, Amber Imai-Hong, Kauionalani Brialyn Onodera, Mailani Neal, Kaila Nathaniel, Leinani Lozi, Ka`iu Kimura, Larry Kimura, Naea Stevens, Kekoa Alip, and Kaimi Kahihikolo, to name just a few. I urge you, before considering who should be on this Authority, to come to Maunakea, and see how science and culture are thriving here, and how many local people are working here in various capacities. Please seek nominees who can work together for the good of all. Make it safe for people who can see our past and our future in the heavens. They want to serve. Seeking peaceful solutions united by our shared humanity - and voting - that's what works. Say yes to Maunakea so everyone - the entire world - can benefit. Seeking knowledge is sacred. For all of us.



# Hawaiian Civic Club of Hilo

# Written Testimony of SUPPORT Presented Before the Senate Committee on Water and Land April 5, 2023

by The Hawaiian Civic Club of Hilo

# Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (GM 539, GM 540, GM 543, GM 537)

Dear Chairperson Inouye and Members of the Committee:

Please accept this testimony in support of the following nominees for the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (SOA).

- Joshua Mangauil, GM 539
- Pomaikalani Bertelmann, GM 540
- Michelle Wong-Wilson GM 537

Each of these nominees have demonstrated the commitment, knowledge, integrity, and experience necessary to effectively serve on the Mauna Kea SOA. Our membership fully supports their confirmation.

Mahalo for your consideration,

Dorinna H. Cortez Secretary/Treasurer

2106 Kaiwiki Rd Hilo, HI 96720 hccofhilo@gmail.com



### GM537

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, **MICHELLE WONG-WILSON**, for a term to expire 06-30-2025. Senate Committee on Water and Land

April 3, 2023	1:00 PM	Room 229 & Videoconference

The Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (CNHA) <u>STRONGLY SUPPORTS</u> GM537 which would confirm Michelle "Noe Noe" Wong-Wilson to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority.

Dr. Wong-Wilson has dedicated her life and career to promoting Native Hawaiian knowledge and practices. She served as Assistant Professor in Hawaiian Studies and Coordinator of the Title III funded Hālaulani Native Hawaiian Student Success Center. She is active in a number of Hawaiian civic, cultural and education organizations, such as the Hawaiian civic clubs and Lalakea Foundation, and is a founding co-author of the 'Āina Aloha Economic Development Futures Initiative. Moreover, Dr. Wong-Wilson's activism as one of the kūpuna arrested for protecting Maunakea underscores her dedication to preserving its cultural and ecological significance. She also served on the HR33 Mauna Kea Working Group and continues to be a well-respected Native Hawaiian leader and kia'i on cultural and stewardship matters relating to the mountain.

In closing, CNHA urges the Committee to recommend supporting her confirmation. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

J. Kūhiō Lewis, CEO Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement

### About the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement

The Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (CNHA) is a member-based 501(c)3 non-profit organization with a mission to enhance the cultural, economic, political, and community development of Native Hawaiians. Headquartered in Kapolei, CNHA is a Native Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) certified by the U.S. Treasury department and a HUD-Certified Housing Counseling agency. CNHA provides access to capital, financial education and individualized financial counseling services with a focus on low and moderate-income families. CNHA serves as a National Intermediary, providing grants and loans targeting underserved communities in Hawai'i. For more information, visit <u>www.hawaiiancouncil.org.</u>

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2023 9:29:58 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Torie Ho?opi;i	Testifying for Kakoo Haleakala	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I approve MICHELLE WONG-WILSON to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority.

Auntie Noe Noe was a part of the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority Board from its conception. She is perfect for this position.

Mahalo

Torie Hoopii



PO Box 6305 Kamuela, HI 96743 A Non-Profit Organization EIN 46-2207539

## Written Testimony of SUPPORT Presented Before the Senate Committee on Water and Land April 5, 2023

by

The Waimea Hawaiian Civic Club

### Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (GM 539, GM 540, GM 537)

Dear Chairperson Inouye and Members of the Committee:

Please accept this testimony in support of the following nominees for the Mauna Kea Stewardship Oversight Authority (SOA).

Joshua Lanakila Mangauil, GM 539 Pomaikalani Bertelmann, GM 540 Michelle Noe Noe Wong-Wilson, GM 537

Each nominee has demonstrated the commitment, knowledge, integrity, and experience needed to effectively serve on the Mauna Kea SOA. The membership of the Waimea Hawaiian Civic Club strongly supports their confirmation.

Mahalo nui for your consideration,

Edin Kawai

Edith Kawai, President Waimea Hawaiian Civic Club



Senate Committee on Water and Land

Time: 1:00 p.m. Date: April 5, 2023 Where: Conference Room 229



TESTIMONY By Dr. Waiʻaleʻale Sarsona Kamehameha Schools

# RE: Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (MKSOA) Nominations

E ka Luna Ho'omalu Inouye, ka Hope Luna Ho'omalu Elefante, a me nā lālā o ke Kōmike Wai a me 'Āina o ka 'Aha Kenekoa, aloha kākou. My name is Dr. Wai'ale'ale Sarsona, Vice President of Hi'ialo at Kamehameha Schools.

Kamehameha Schools <u>supports</u> the nominees to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (MKSOA). Mauna Kea is a place of great cultural, spiritual, ecological, and historical significance for Hawai'i and for Native Hawaiians. The proper management of Mauna Kea's rich cultural and natural resources has been a source of continued community concern and controversy for many decades.

On July 7, 2022, Act 255 (SLH, 2022) was signed into law to establish the Mauna Kea Stewardship Oversight Authority (MKSOA) and a transition and governance structure for the management of Mauna Kea lands. The establishment of the MKSOA was an appropriate next step in creating a venue where community voices, particularly those from the Native Hawaiian community, will be meaningfully elevated and included in the stewardship and oversight of Mauna Kea. **Please advance the MKSOA nominations.** 

Founded in 1887, Kamehameha Schools is an educational organization striving to restore our people through education and advance a thriving Lāhui where all Native Hawaiians are successful, grounded in traditional values, and leading in the local and global communities. We believe that community success is individual success, Hawaiian culture-based education leads to academic success and local leadership drives global leadership. Hānai i ke keiki; ola ka lāhui.

'A'ohe 'ulu e loa'a i ka pōkole o ka lou. There is no success without preparation.



### GM537

## Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, **MICHELLE WONG-WILSON**, for a term to expire 06-30-2025. Senate Committee on Water and Land

April 5, 2023	1:00 PM	Room 229 & Videoconference

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In closing, CNHA urges the Committee to recommend supporting her confirmation. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

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# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 3/30/2023 4:33:41 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Christoph Baranec	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose having protestors on the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority.

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 3/30/2023 4:43:00 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kim Jean	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Noe Noe Wong Wilson was arrested for her participation in the Kia'i's underhanded tactics of blocking the road to Maunakea. Criminals should NOT be allowed on the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. Her support of the Kia'i means that she is supporting their many poor faith actions, such as building shrines on property that doesn't belong to them (UH campuses), building an unpermitted structure, trampling native flora at the base of the Mauna, and placing a Hawai'ian flag in a position where law enforcement had no choice but to cut through it, and yet complaining that their flag was cut.

Noe Noe herself has also shown in interviews that she is not willing to compromise while on the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. She should not be elected to it.

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 3/30/2023 10:55:50 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Gerard Silva	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

NO. !!

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 3/31/2023 8:31:05 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
john komeiji	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support the confirmation of Michelle Noe Noe Wong-Wilson to the Maunakea Stewardship and Oversight Authority.

Since September 2022, the members of the Authority have focused on establishing the structure and framework for this new State agency. Along with others, Ms. Wong-Wilson has had to learn about the many steps that must be undertaken to stand-up this important organization. Further, as the Authority currently has no employees, Authority Board members have had to undertake operational tasks that typically are undertaken by paid staff to move us toward our operational goals.

Based upon my experience and discussions with these members, I have no doubt that she will continue to: be focused and engaged; express and consider differing perspectives; and most importantly, foster a "mutual stewardship paradigm in which ecology, the environment, natural resources, cultural practices, education and science are in balance and synergy" (Act 255). As a result, I highly support the confirmation of Ms. Wong-Wilson.

Mahalo for permitting me the opportunity to express my support.

John Komeiji

Chair Designee, Maunakea Stewardship and Oversight Authority

March 29, 2023

Dr. John M. O'Meara 64-1068A Mamalahoa Highway Kamuela, HI 96743

The Honorable Larraine Inouye, Chair and Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land

Chair Inouye and members of the committee,

I am writing to you today in <u>strong support</u> of the confirmation of Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, and to continue my strong personal and professional support of the MKSOA as it begins its work.

For the MKSOA to meet its great potential, it must have multiple perspectives on Maunakea, perspectives that historically have been siloed and in opposition. With the grounding in the principles of mutual stewardship, a new dialogue and new action can be taken to better manage and malama Maunakea. I believe very strongly that Dr. Wong-Wilson brings a critical perspective to the MKSOA's membership, and that she will uphold the principle of mutual stewardship.

In the last year, I have worked with Dr. Wong-Wilson to engage with the larger astronomical community so that she can bring her perspective on Maunakea, and so that we can work together going forward. As recently as January this year, I was honored to enable to have her and two other MKSOA member nominees present a plenary discussion in front of over 2,000 astronomers at the annual meeting of the American Astronomical Society. In bringing herself so openly to this audience, she proved her willingness to engage in the difficult dialogues that are needed and build bridges across communities. I have learned much from her story and her work and hold a deep personal respect for her. While she and I may disagree on some matters, I trust that she will work for a brighter future for Maunakea, and I offer her my strong support as a nominee for the MKSOA. I urge you to confirm her.

With aloha,

John M. O'Meara Kamuela, Hawai'i

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/2/2023 10:09:49 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Leimomi Khan	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Support. I know Dr. Wong-Wilson as a leader who is open, transparent, collaborative, objective, fair, and well informed. The Kalihi Palama Hawaiian Civic Club, of which I am a member, nominated her to serve on the Maunakea Working Task Force. The outcome of her service on that task force was an informed report to the legislature leading to the formation of the Maunakea Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. Her appoint would assure continuity of the intent of the Authority as established by the legislature; and respect for Native Hawaiian cultural values.

Dr. NoeNoe Wong Wilson's education and experiences clearly make her qualified to serve on the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority,

Please advise and consent on her nomination.

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/2/2023 4:20:49 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Barbara Dalton	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

If appointed a member of the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority there is no chance this nominee will remain neutral in any decision affecting the Thirty-Meter Telescope. I oppose her confirmation.

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/2/2023 8:08:41 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Patti Cook	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2023 7:12:00 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Uilani Naipo	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly support NoeNoe for a seat on the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. Please confirm her!

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2023 7:54:13 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Renee Ku'uleinani Price	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President and Members of the Senate Thirty-Second Legislature Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 Dear President Kouchi and Members of the Senate: In accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 6 of the Hawai'i State Constitution, | have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration and confirmation the following nomination: Michelle Wong-Wilson Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority Expiration Date: June 30, 2025

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Ku'uleinani Price

Kumu Hula

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2023 2:54:58 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
mary drayer	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

i Strongly SUPPORT Michelle Wong-Wilson for this position. She is a kupuna with a deep knowledge and understanding of the Mauna and of Kanaka culture. Mahalo

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2023 9:55:19 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Laura Acasio	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

To: Senate Committee on Water and Land Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair Senator Brandon Elefante, Vice Chair Senator Stanley Chang Senator Angus McKelvey Senator Kurt Fevella

From: Laura Acasio, Former State Senator District 1, Hilo

Date: April 5, 2023

Subject: SUPPORT for GM 537 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, MICHELLE WONG-WILSON.

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante and members of the Water and Land Committee,

Please accept this testimony in support of Ms. Michelle Wong-Wilson for the Mauna Kea Stewardship & Oversight Authority. I urge you to support her nomination to the Mauna Kea Stewardship & Oversight Authority.

Laura Acasio

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2023 9:59:53 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
E. Kalani Flores	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

April 3, 2023

Aloha e Chair and Members of the Senate WTL Committee,

Please accept this testimony in SUPPORT of the following nominees for the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (MKSOA).

• JOSHUA LANAKILA MANGAUIL, GM 539

• POMAIKALANI BERTELMANN, GM 540

• MICHELLE NOE NOE WONG-WILSON, GM 537

In order for this new management process pertaining to Mauna Kea to have any credibility, the make-up of the MKSOA needs perspectives from community members such as these nominees who are well-respected in the Native Hawaiian community for their cultural insight and knowledge connected to Mauna Kea. Each of these nominees have demonstrated the commitment, integrity, and experience necessary to effectively serve on the MKSOA. I fully support their confirmation.

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2023 10:36:23 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kapulei Flores	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I support Noe Noe Wong-Wilson for the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (MKSOA). In order for this new management process pertaining to Mauna Kea to have any credibility, the make-up of the MKSOA needs perspectives from community members such as these nominees who are well-respected in the Native Hawaiian community for their cultural insight and knowledge connected to Mauna Kea. This nominee has demonstrated the commitment, integrity, and experience necessary to effectively serve on the MKSOA. I fully support their confirmation.

Mahalo

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2023 10:44:02 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Laulani Teale	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support the nominations of Joshua Lanakila Mangauil, Noenoe Wong-Wilson, and Pōmaika'i Bertelmann to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority Board.

Mauna Kea is sacred. New management must respect this, and support Mauna Kea's protection, as well as the protection of cultural practice. No new lease. No TMT. No further development. No interference with cultural practices.

I trust that these cansidates will support these foundational principles.

In this, they have my blessing.

Mahalo nui loa,

Laulani

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 7:32:25 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kris Bordessa	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I fully support the confirmation of Michelle Wong-Wilson to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority and urge you to do so as well.

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 8:03:43 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Pua Case	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha e Chair and Members of the Senate WTL Committee,

Please accept this testimony in SUPPORT of the following nominees for the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (MKSOA).

# • JOSHUA LANAKILA MANGAUIL, GM 539

# • POMAIKALANI BERTELMANN, GM 540

# • MICHELLE NOE NOE WONG-WILSON, GM 537

In order for this new management process pertaining to Mauna Kea to have any credibility, the make-up of the MKSOA needs perspectives from community members such as these nominees who are well-respected in the Native Hawaiian community for their cultural insight and knowledge connected to Mauna Kea. Each of these nominees have demonstrated the commitment, integrity, and experience necessary to effectively serve on the MKSOA. In order for this Board to be supported by the Native Hawaiian and local communities, there must be nominees that are not only from the lands of Mauna Kea but who possess knowledge and participate in the cultural practices associated with the mountain. I fully support their confirmation as I have complete trust in these nominees to do what is best for Mauna a Wākea, Mauna Kea.

Pua Case,

Pu'ukapu, Waimea

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 8:09:53 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Stacey Alapai	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support labor Noe Noe Wong-Wilson to be a responsible steward of the land as part of the Mauna Kea Board.

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 8:10:32 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Richard Matsuda	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice-Chair Elefante and members of the Senate Water and Land Committee

I support the confirmation of Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson as a board member of the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. Dr. Wong-Wilson and I served together on the State House Mauna Kea Working Group, and we have jointly spoken to several community groups about the mutual stewardship paradigm, cultural grounding of Maunakea, and respectful conduct grounded in aloha which we feel are foundations for how we can move forward together as a community on future management of Maunakea. She takes on the kuleana of stewardship of Maunakea seriously, works tirelessly, and conducts herself with aloha. She provides leadership and is key to the success of the MKSOA, and I strongly support her continuing this important work in service of Maunakea and the community.

Richard Matsuda

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 8:37:24 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Christine Matsuda	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante and Members of the Committee,

I am in strong SUPPORT of Michelle Noe Noe Wong-Wilson's confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, along with the full list of nominees under consideration by your committee for confirmation.

The issues surrounding Maunakea have been incredibly divisive, important and impactful for our community to grapple with. The leadership that these individuals have shown is admirable; not just their commitment to the mauna and to our community, but importantly, their willingness to take on the complex challenges and heavy responsibility of governance. Many folks have participated as activists on all sides of the Maunakea issues, but few leaders have demonstrated the commitment, perspective and expertise necessary to build something new, working together, to move us forward on a new path as a community.

These individuals are remarkable leaders, and I am personally grateful to them for stepping forward to serve. This list of nominees are the right group to serve these initial terms at the critical start-up phase of the new Authority, and have already demonstrated how well they will work together as a full governing body during their initial meetings as interim appointees. Mahalo for your consideration of my testimony in support of their confirmation.

With aloha,

Christine Matsuda

Nu'uanu, HI 96817

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:07:47 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Consuelo Apolo- Gonsalves	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I'm in full support

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:31:04 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
JiDion	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support it

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:31:10 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jordan Nakana Griffin- Andres	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support
<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:31:29 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Desmond grace	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:32:08 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Malakai Cosare	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:35:47 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Lovett tavale	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

It's important to me as a native Hawaiian

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:41:41 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Prenston mokulehua	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

i feel that we should leave our Hawaiian lands in the hands of all the Hawaiians because Hawaiis are connected to the land and Hawaiians use the land as a resource while company's use land as an expansion of their business.

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:46:58 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ashton Fujioka	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose.

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:54:36 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Koa germano	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support so people can take care of manna kea

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 9:53:39 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ozzy Brewer	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support the nomination of Michelle Wong-Wilson

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:00:12 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Destin	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this be Mauna Kea is a history to a lot of Hawaiians and i am Hawaiian myself.

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:29:48 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mary Kok	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support Noe Noe Wong-Wilson to the board of Mauna Kea Stewardship Authority. She is well qualified to serve and represent the people of Hawaii and the Mauna.

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:33:55 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Joseph Keola Donaghy	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha. I am writing to express my unreserved and enthusiastic report for the nomination of Gubernatorial Nominee MICHELLE WONG-WILSON to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. Aunty Noe Noe, as I know her, is a person of unwavering conviction and a passionate advocate for Maunakea. I have complete faith in her judgment and desire to act for what benefits the mauna and other Hawaiian lands that surround it, and I urge the legislature to support his nomination and approve his appointment to this important position. Mahalo.

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:45:21 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Minnette Kaikaina	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support the consideration and confirmation of Michelle Noe-Noe Wong-Wilson to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority.

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:46:49 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kaholokula Kitashima	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this!

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:46:55 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Pono	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:47:11 AM

Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Noah Madeira	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support because she is fit for it

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:47:48 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
HallieJoy	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I think that Michelle should be on the board because I know that the decisions that she will make will be in the best interest of the lāhui and people of Hawai'i.

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:48:11 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ruthann Aloka	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:52:45 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Angelica	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this.

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:52:55 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Denali Ewing	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this because she is a Hawaiian kupuna who knows what she's doing and what she's talking about.

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:53:40 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier</b> Position	Testify
Ezekiel gonzales	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Sounds like we are taking action

### **Brad Knowlton**

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### Dear WTL Committee

It is with honor and respect that I submit testimony of support for the consideration and confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority the name of Michelle Wong-Wilson.

I have worked as a colleague at Hawai'i Community College and as a member of the Hawaiian Civic Club of Hilo. Her attention to the responsible use, care and consideration of Mauna Kea speaks to her dedication, leadership and knowledge is seeking solutions that are good for people, land, landscape, education, and legacy of the people of Hawai'i.

She will serve diligently and ask the critical questions to seek solutions that respect the people and land of Mauna Kea. Her commitment to the land has been demonstrated by her vigilance, research and listening to the many different perspectives voiced in many meetings regarding Mauna Kea.

We support her nomination and confirmation.

Respectully submitted, Gertrude K. Gunderson Pahoa, Hawai'i

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:54:21 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Samantha alama	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Yes i wish to have her on the mauna kea Board to insure that mauna kea is protected.

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:54:28 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Irie-Passion Soto	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:54:52 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Samantha Gersaba-Myers	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I place a lot of trust into this woman, and watching a video on this person places a lot of faith in me that she can do the right thing.

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:56:39 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
MIKI	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:57:01 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Blaise Perez	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support them and I am for them to be a committee to the Mauna Kea so they can protect it

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:58:45 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Austin tagovailoa	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support her to the most part. Even though she was trying to show better. She got arrested trying to stand up for the land and it got her arrested i do believe that she will be Able to do more with the land tho. I know she can try her best with her determination.

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 10:59:43 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Marvin	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 11:01:06 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kelson kitzmiller	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 11:04:56 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Bianca Isaki	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

As a longtime advocate for the protection of Mauna Kea, I support the nomination of Noe Noe Wong-Wilson to the Mauna Kea Stewardship Authority. Their participation will inspire confidence in the process.

Yours,

Bianca Isaki

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 11:13:11 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Rudy Kok	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please confirm Noe Noe Wong-Wilson as member of the Mauna Kea stewardship board. Thank you.

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 12:17:12 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Naalehu Anthony	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

**RE: SUPPORT for GM537: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, MICHELLE NOE NOE WONG-WILSON** 

Aloha mai e Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante and Members of the Committee,

I am in strong SUPPORT of Michelle Noe Noe Wong-Wilson's confirmation to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, along with the full list of nominees put forth by Governor Green for this very important governing body.

Noe Noe is the right choice for this position as she has worked tirelessly on this highly divisive issue for years. Her knowledge and understanding of the Maunakea debate as it has unfolded over the past decade is critical for this Authority to understand and internalize as it considers how to proceed with the Mauna centered for all decision making. I have confidence in her leadership, because I know her to take a broad and nuanced view of complex situations, and like others nominated for this Authority body, a true commitment to working toward a balanced future for the Mauna.

As a member of this community, it is vitally important to me that the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority is made up of members who represent our community. Real representation in both expertise and perspectives is critical to not repeat mistakes of the past and to create a different future for the governance of the Mauna.

Mahalo,

Na'alehu Anthony

Ka'a'awa, O'ahu

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 12:25:41 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
regina peterson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly support

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 12:58:18 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ka'iu Kimura	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha nui e ke komike WTL,

I humbly request your confirmation of Michelle NoeNoe Wong-Wilson to the Maunakea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. I have known NoeNoe for over 25 years in her various leadership and mentorship capacities within our community. She has led numerous forums and initiatives - consisting of multiple generations - in order to collectively advance our Hawaiian and local communities. The advancement of our Hawaiian ways of being and the health and wellbeing of our community as a whole is an utmost priority for her in all that she does. As an MKSOA member, I believe that NoeNoe is already displaying strong, effective leadership and she plays a critical role in helping to realize a community model of operations, governance, and ultimately mutual stewardship of Maunakea.

I know that NoeNoe will serve with the highest of integrity and passion for the wellbeing of Maunakea and the community at large.

na'u me ka mana'olana,

na Ka'iu

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 12:58:55 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Shannon Rudolph	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Support

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:28:14 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mapuana de Silva	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha nui Kakou,

I am writing in full support of confirming Michelle Noe Noe Wong-Wilson to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority for a term to expire 6-30-2025. I have know Michelle all my life and have worked with her in many facets of Hawaiian culture, Hawaiian issues, and Hawaiian stability in our community. I highly recommend her for the position based on her expertise, intelligence, ability to work through difficult issues and her clarity of thinking and working with all parties involved.

Again, I give my full support to confirm Michelle Noe Noe Wong-Wilson.

Mahalo,

Kumu Hula Mapuana de Silva

Halau Mohala Ilima
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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
gizelle	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support.

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:53:52 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kuini Kawaauhau- AuHoon	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support.

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:54:10 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kainalu Alama	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Stand up as Kanaka

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:55:04 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kayla Navales-Pepe'e	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

In support

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:55:26 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
seth anderson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:55:30 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Zandrea Hill-Brack	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support aunty and the Lahui of Mauna Kea

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:55:40 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Zechariah kaleikini	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

She will be good because she's good in the Hawaiian culture

# <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:56:05 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Elizabeth	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I think she should be excepted

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:56:18 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jayden	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:56:40 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Lono	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I dont know wether to elect a specific person to a sacred land, Mauna kea is a sacred land to all hawaiians, that place should be generally taken cared of and not be set in stone to one person and a crew.

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 1:57:31 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Malinakeaolani Nalua?i	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill in the stewardship and oversight of Mauna Kea by a Kanaka with truly good intentions for the 'āina up there.

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 2:05:48 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Hi'ilani Nalua'i	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This bill is very good. We need someone on this board of managers for Mauna Kea who is native Hawaiian. Who has the same values, morals, background, and wisdom as the people in Hawai'i. The exploitation and poisoning of Mauna Kea has gone on for too long, and it needs to be stopped.

## <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 2:07:43 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kaleo	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I feel maunakea should stay a sacred land for the native hawaiians

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 2:12:38 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Tracey	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 2:13:19 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Regina Gregory	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Support

### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 5:36:45 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
melissa tomlinson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please support appointing Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Board. She is so overwhelmingly qualified and also has support from so many to be in such a position. I had the opportunity to meet Dr. Noe Noe and I know without a doubt her insights are invaluable. It will be a shame if she isn't given this opportunity.

## <u>GM-537</u>

Submitted on: 4/4/2023 5:41:42 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Constance Keoahunui Uale Warrington	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Kakou,

I write today in support of and to urge the confirmation of Noe Noe Wong Wilson to the Board for the Maunakea Steward Authority and Oversight. Noe Noe is extremely well respected by all in the Hawaiian Community and is an excellent representative to council and protect future use of Mauna Kea. She is well educated by both the Western Educational System and in the History, Beliefs and Culture of Hawaii. She is an intent listener, asks great questions and has a calm approach to evaluating points and decision making. She is an excellent choice!

Sincerely,

Constance Keoahunui Uale Warrington

<u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/4/2023 7:18:24 PM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kea Kala	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Kakoo!



### <u>GM-537</u> Submitted on: 4/5/2023 9:15:01 AM Testimony for WTL on 4/5/2023 1:00:00 PM



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Andrew Odell	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante, and the Committee on Water and Land,

I highly support Ms. Wong-Wilson's nomination to serve on the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority (MKSOA). Ms. Wong-Wilson's depth of knowledge, dedication to Maunakea, and ability to work collaboratively are without question. I trust her to make decisions that are in the best interest of the mauna and our Hawai'i Island community.

I urge you to confirm Ms. Wong-Wilson to a seat on the MKSOA.

Andrew G. Odell