

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

OCT 31 2013

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 23

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Second Special Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 23, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

KAHO'OLAWE ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION

G.M. No. 23            HOKULANI HOLT-PADILLA,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2016,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Hokulani Holt-Padilla to possess the requisite commitment, sincerity, dedication, and qualifications to be nominated to the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nominee from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission, Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, and three individuals.

Hokulani Holt-Padilla received a Bachelor's degree in Liberal Studies, Human Relations and Organizations, from the University of Hawai'i. She is currently the Cultural Programs Director at the Maui Arts & Cultural Center, a Lecturer at the University of Hawai'i Maui College in Hawaiian language and culture, and a Kumu Hula (Pa'u O Hi'iaka) who teaches traditional and contemporary hula, as well as Hawaiian history, culture, and language. Her previous experience includes serving as Culture and Education




Manager for the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission, Site Coordinator for Na Pua No'eu Center for Gifted and Talented Native Hawaiian Children, and Director of the Punana Leo O Maui Hawaiian Language Preschool.

Ms. Holt-Padilla's community involvement includes serving as President of Kauahea Inc., and Vice President of Lalakea Foundation. She has served on the Community Advisory Board of the Kamehameha Schools Bishop Estate, Hawaiian Culture Advisory Committee of the Hawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau, and Council for Native Hawaii Advancement.

Your Committee notes from the nominee's personal statement that she perceives the role of a member of the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission to be "to look to the needs of the 'āina itself. If we are to be good stewards of the land responsibility that we have been given then we must use all means possible to bring together great minds and great passion for the benefit of Kaho'olawe. As a member of the Commission we should explore; what are the best practices needed to benefit the island; what must we plan for to further the good work already underway; how can we assure that this special island is cared for into the future; how can we support the work of the staff to execute the goals of the Commission; and how can the Commission strategically work with the community, other government agencies, and those interested in furthering the good work for Kaho'olawe."

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Water and Land,




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MALAMA SOLOMON, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Water and Land**  
**WTL**  
**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:* <b>GM23</b>	Committee Referral: <b>WTL</b>	Date: <b>10/30/2013</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345			
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SOLOMON, Malama (C)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				✓
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>			<b>2</b>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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