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JOBIE M. K. MASAGATANI, CHAIRMAN

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BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS ON

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for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaiian Homes Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, PATRICIA SHEEHAN, for a term to expire 6-30-2017.

October 30, 2013

Aloha Chair Shimabukuro, Vice-Chair Hee, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the nomination of Ms. Patricia Sheehan to serve on the Hawaiian Homes Commission. She brings expertise and experience in land management, real estate, business, education, and community leadership to the Hawaiian Homes Commission. We are confident that Ms. Sheehan will contribute to thoughtful consideration and sound decision-making by the commission.

Ms. Sheehan was born and raised on Kauai, and is a pillar of her community. She runs her family business in Hanalei and manages residential rentals and low-density commercial development. Her knowledge and experience in these areas are invaluable to this commission, especially as we consider all options to return native Hawaiians to our lands, and maximize the value of our land inventory. Ms. Sheehan is well-respected in her community evidenced by the number

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of board she sits on including the Waioli Corporation, the Kapiolani Health Foundation, the Kauai Historic Preservation Review Commission, the National Tropical Botanical Garden Board of Trustees, and the Kokee Museum Hui O Laka Board of Trustees.

Ms. Sheehan previously served on the Hawaiian Homes Commission from 1993 to 1997 and is already familiar with our department.

Further, Ms. Sheehan has a deep familial connection to the Hawaiian Homes Commission and the Hawaiian homestead program: her grandfather was among the delegation that traveled to Washington, D.C. to support Prince Kuhio's efforts to pass the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, and her grandmother was one of the first commissioners in the 1930s.

With Ms. Sheehan's experience and connection to Hawaiian home lands, our commission members would be honored to serve alongside her for a four-year term. We respectfully request your favorable consideration, and urge this committee to advise and consent to this nomination.

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