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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, Legislators, Some of the Christian churches are espousing anti-gay, anti-civil rights, anti-human rights propaganda. They proclaim that homosexuality is a sin, therefore gay people should be discriminated against, and not granted their equal civil rights. Even the Pope said he himself and everyone are sinners. By the same logic, then everyone should be denied equal rights. The Christian church has an abysmal historic record when it comes to Civil, Human, and Religious rights. For centuries the church has persecuted people of other faiths. The Jews, the Muslims, Hindus and other non-believers. Witness the banishment of Jews and Muslims from Spain in the 15th century. Witness the persecution of scientists like Galileo & Copernicus, and the Spanish Inquisition with its torture and burning at the stake of all non-believers and heretics. For centuries, slavery existed throughout the world, and the Christian church condoned it. Even St. Paul defended slavery. The Christian church likens itself to the defenders of morality. What was so moral about the Thirty Years War, when Catholics and Protestants were murdering each other in the hundreds of thousands, and destroying much of Europe, in the name of their God and religion. Where were these Christian defenders of morality when Jews, homosexuals, Slavs, Gypsies were rounded up in Nazi Germany, sent to concentration camps, gassed, and burnt in the crematoriums. Did the Christians, the Catholics, defend the rights of the Jews and others in Mussolini's fascist Italy and Franco's fascist Spain. No, they were complicit in aiding the extermination of millions people during the Holocaust, before and during World War II. The patriarchal Christian church has kept women in subordinate roles within the Church and society. To this day, there are still people in the Christian church, who continue to promote intolerance and discrimination. Instead of being the leaders and advocates for civil and human rights, they are the most vitriolic opponents of civil & human rights. How they can brazenly call themselves Christian, when they have so much intolerance and blood on their hands. I am writing in strong support of SB 1. Please pass this bill to end discrimination against Gay people and to allow marriage for all Gay people and their families.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, In strong support of Senate Bill 1 Aloha. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony. As you deliberate this important civil rights question, I ask that you consider the following points: 1. When a right enjoyed by the majority, such as the right to marry the person of one's choosing, is conveyed to a minority, the majority does not lose anything. There is no infringement or diminishment for them. Unlike issues with which you as a legislative body must grapple that involve land use or budgets, this is not a zero-sum game. There are no losers; we all gain. 2. This is not a theocracy. Our state constitution states that "No law shall be enacted respecting an establishment of religion." While this means that a state religion cannot be legislated, it follows as well that legislation should not be dictated by any religion, let alone the interpretation of one religion by some of its members. Are there arguments against the legalization of same-sex marriage that are not based in religious sentiment? 3. The Hawaii State constitution also guarantees our right to the pursuit of happiness, which, in our modern sensibility, is the very essence of marriage. Marriage throughout history has existed for many reasons, not necessarily the happiness of the individuals involved, but most modern Americans wed in the pursuit of happiness, and everyone deserves to do so. Thank you again for this opportunity, and for your consideration of this vital issue.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. Despite and in support of the boilerplate rhetoric as the default of this opportunity to attest to my belief that the freedom to marry the person you love is basic, I wish to clarify one pivotal and seminal point: The freedom of religion is the freedom of any individual to exercise their beliefs. IT IS NOT the freedom of the majority to dictate their own religion-based mores on others. My late father often repeated the aphorism, "Your freedom to swing your arms, ends at my nose". ALL those who protest marriage equality, do so in the belief of what is right for EVERYONE, everyone else, that is. Please, let people be free to choose what is right for themselves, and if they find it "wrong", they have traveled their own path to find it, unrestricted by unnecessary law. The government should not be in the business of telling people who they can and cannot marry, beyond its overarching societal mandate to protect those who are unable to protect themselves, i.e. children and the mentally incompetent. None of us would want to be told that it is illegal to marry the person we love. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. It is my belief that marriage equality is a basic civil rights issue, not a religious issue, and the following applies: "The rights of a minority shall not be determined by the vote of a majority." This was a guiding principal of our forefathers while setting up our democracy, as one of their greatest fears with this form of government was the possibility of the "Tyranny of the Majority." The same tyranny that denied women and ethnic minorities the right to vote. The same tyranny that denied the right of interracial marriage. The same tyranny that now waives signs and buys commercial air time to urge us to "Let the people decide on marriage!" The same tyranny that was overturned in California after so much time, effort, and money was spent in trying once again to deny a minority's rights by the vote of a majority. It is time to learn from the past and move forward, in step with the Federal rulings that struck down DOMA. It is time to truly practice the separation of Church and State. It is time to allow all citizens their basic and equal civil rights. It is time, here in the Aloha State, to live an *aloha* life, with Aloha... Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify. GP Merfeld

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. Please, pass marriage equality legislation so Jaime and Alex, my sons, a binational couple, can equitably and respectfully marry at home in Kaimuki with their family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues from the University of Hawaii, Bishop Museum, Kapiolani Women's and Children's Hospital, Queen's Hospital, Kaiser, and our neighborhood when Alex's visa is granted. We are all the same—human. Because we come in a myriad of varieties, the majority has no right to tyrannize a minority, especially since the tyranny or bullying is based on personal belief choices. Lesbians and gays do not choose their sexual orientation, anymore than a heterosexual chooses theirs. Some of us are born different from the dominant majority. As a matter of fact, humans have, to date, discovered 240 species, other than themselves, on earth, who are also practicing homosexuals. I dream of the day when acceptance, respect, and joy greets children, whether they are in the majority or the minority, because we value each one's uniqueness. What a terrible injustice we have perpetrated for far too long--homophobia!!!! If one is upset about another human's sexual preference, my bet is that the bigot can't figure out why they feel as they do and they project self-hatred on others. The sworn affidavit, attached and submitted to the Department of Immigration, is further evidence for the need for you to pass this legislation immediately. Thank you for your service in our legislative process. Take gentle care of yourself, Susanna Reid, PhD, ND Sworn Affidavit I, Susanna Reid, reside at 3037 Lincoln Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816. I was born Susan Marie Lowe in Welland, Ontario, Canada, on May 20th, 1946 to an American mother. I do hereby swear and affirm to the best of my knowledge and belief: John Joseph Harrington III, my son, and Alex Domingos Ribeiro, his partner, have lived as a couple, for nearly 17 years. My son, also known as Jaime, was born on May 27th, 1967, in Walter Reed Army Medical Center, in Washington, DC. Twenty-nine years later, at the end of his third year at Cornell University Medical College, in New York City, Jaime earned the opportunity of doing research in infectious diseases, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, for one year, 1996-1997. In his e-mails, the system of communication we used frequently during that period, Jaime shared with me his meeting and falling in love with Alex Domingos Ribeiro (born March 3rd 1976). In April of 1998, having been sponsored by my husband and me, Alex came to NYC on an F-1 visa. Shortly thereafter, I met Alex when he and Jaime came to visit us (we lived in Connecticut

at the time) for a few days in our studio apartment, a visit made possible by their willingness to camp in the living room. Then and, since then, to this day, my witness is that Alex and Jaime have been living as a couple: they have shared housing, bed, and bank accounts, just like my husband and I have for more than 26 years. More importantly. When in February 13, 2007, my husband and I, at Jaime's and Alex's invitation, came to live in the ohana cottage on their property, the earshot proximity to their lives only deepened my conviction that their relationship ascends on something much stronger and longer lasting than sharing beds, bank accounts, or houses. Its foundation is a profound love and respect daily revealed in seeking togetherness, in open dialogue, and in day-to-day giving more than taking. Page 1 of 2 Recently, July, 2012, because of current immigration laws, Alex was required to return to Brazil when he and Jaime were in the midst of preparing to remodel their bathroom. Alex had finalized the drawings before his departure. They continued to hone the myriad details involved in such a project for the next eight months. During the two months of active construction, they continued this dialog and consulted daily. This separation has starkly revealed the depth of their commitment to each other. The foregoing is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Susanna Reid Sworn to before me this 21st day of July, 2013. Notary Public Page 2 of 2

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I support marriage equality, and think it is long overdue. The case for it has been made persuasively by the many others who have been engaged in this debate, so I will not rehearse it here. But I would regret that in ten or twenty years I should look back, after the course of our events has made its ethical determination and been our decisive judge, and find that I had been silent. It seems all too obvious to me that history has settled this case, and the attempts of those who seek to obstruct it are futile expressions of a desperate hope, a desperation only betrayed by its fervency. One might as well be honest in such matters: if the government of Hawaii does not pass marriage equality this year, if it is cowed by the vitriol of these great champions of injustice, then of this I am certain as I am certain of little else: history will have its say, and bring its weighty judgment upon the living; only it will be more damning. Of course I urge you to support marriage equality, and to support it on principle. But my point is also to suggest that in the longer stretch of human affairs, your aye or your nay, overshadowed by the solemn judgment of the commonwealth, will do little more than to vindicate or indict you, of courage or of cowardice, of intelligence or of ignorance. This itself is but the simple lesson which all history teaches, which all history intones with terrible and ineluctable consistency. It is easy enough for me to preach on this issue, at a remove, and at the decisive moment, when all the work has already been done. The credit belongs to those who have been fighting for this for years. And history will remember them. Whether you and your memory shall join them in righteousness or abandon them for ignominy is your choice. Kelly Maeshiro Cambridge, MA

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. I have 11 grandchildren 4 of whom are LGBT. I had the great pleasure of attending my granddaughters civil union ceremony in Hana. Over 60 family members attended with many coming from the mainland and as far away as Arkansas. It was a ceremony that only Hana could have put on with the entire community attending the reception. It was only marred by the fact they couldn't marry. When a couple decides to share their life together they should have the same rights no matter their sexual orientation. It is a simply matter of being fair. Give churches the right to do what they want, but don't let them force their beliefs on me or on my kids. Churches have the right to decide who they will marry. My kids have the right to attend a church that will honor them as creatures of God. The Government has the duty to honor their choice and treat everyone fairly. Bill Sager, Kaneohe Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. My life, and the lives of countless friends, is directly affected by this measure. My partner and I currently have a Civil Union, which has been a good step in the right direction, but this puts us in a strange grey area in terms of the law, and allows us to slip through the cracks in odd and discriminatory ways. Our Civil Union affords us all the same rights at the state level (making arguments against equal marriage particularly nonsensical, since virtually nothing will change in this state when marriage is extended to all couples), but none at the Federal level. Thus, last year I filed my taxes as "married" in Hawai'i, but "single" for federal taxes. What a slap in the face! But more than that, now that I am employed by the State of Hawai'i, I completed my new tax forms (W-2, etc) to reflect my different statuses, but the "system" (computer system?) can only recognize one marital status, so I had to choose one. I chose "single" since taxes will be withheld at a higher rate and I can then expect a return, rather than having to pay at tax time, but it really hurt me to claim to be single when in fact I am not. I am deeply committed to my partner and once I graduate with my MFA from UH in 2015, we hope to adopt children. It is important to us that we be a legal family by that time, both to celebrate our love and to give protections to our family. We deserve the same rights as loving couples who happen to be straight! Hawai'i is the Aloha State and we should be leaders in recognizing love between people and affording equal rights! Let's stand on the right side of history and pass SB 1! Thank you for this opportunity to testify. Mahalo nui loa, Blythe Stephens

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and We paid to fly to California to get married after the Supreme Court struck down DOMA. We are Hawaii residents and don't think it is showing aloha to Hawaii citizens to force them to fly to the mainland to get legally married. I am writing in strong support of SB 1. The freedom to marry the person you love is a basic freedom that should not be denied to anyone. Gay and lesbian couples get married for similar reasons as everyone else – to make a lifetime promise of love, commitment and fidelity to the person they love. In Hawaii, we don't turn our backs on family. No member of anyone's ohana – gay or straight – should have to face shame because of who they are and who they love. The government should not be in the business of telling people who they can and cannot marry. None of us would want to be told that it is illegal to marry the person we love. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. My name is Aaron. I was born and raised here in Hawai'i, and I happen to be one of the 'opihi – a local boy who loves and does not want to leave the islands. I was a Catholic school student from K-8, and then attended and graduated from a local private school. I recently attained my Master's degree, and I am currently working with Student Services at the University of Hawai'i, providing valuable social and academic support to the students. I enjoy contributing to the community by helping others learn, a drive that has brought me to grow in the field of education. Overall, I'm just an average local boy who loves his community and wants to do his best in life. I am also gay. And apparently, parts of society feel that their negative perception of that fact overshadows all my positive qualities. Growing up as a gay teen was quite difficult. I was given all kinds of negative messages that damaged my self-perceptions – that homosexuals were "dirty," "hedonistic," and "unChristian," which volunteered them for and made them deserving of prejudice and discrimination. As an adult now, I am more socially aware, and I now understand that the problem is with society as a whole, not myself and those like me. The issue at hand is that of rights to marriage. For some reason, many people do not seem to realize that gays and lesbians are normal people – normal people who want and deserve to experience the same happiness as others. Refusing to provide these kinds of rights sends the message that homosexuals are "less" than heterosexuals – that they are less deserving of access to certain institutions because of their sexual orientation. This kind of social and legal subjugation has very real effects on the lives of many homosexual Americans, from the gay teenager who is struggling with his sexual identity and the teasing of classmates to the unwed lesbian who cannot see her partner in the hospital because she does not have the right. In the coming month, I will be making 8 happy years with my boyfriend, and I would love to be able to express our commitment and love for each other through marriage, should we decide to do so. I do not feel that he and I should be told by anyone that we are not able to celebrate our commitment in the same way as my heterosexual family and

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. While I am a woman married to a man, I can say that I have numerous friends in the gay and lesbian community and I believe they should have every right to choose to marry whomever they love. My neighbors are a male couple who have been married for 14 years and it is unfathomable to me that they do not have all the same rights that my own husband and I enjoy. Their marriage has no affect on my marriage so denying them their right is absurd. Please do the right thing and allow us as a state to show our support for their choices by supporting their right to marry. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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Position: Strong Support

Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing to share my 100% support of SB 1. To me, it is basic civil rights. I was shocked at the utterly false and ridiculous testimony many people gave yesterday - so many were repeating statements that are not true, as if they have been frightened and brainwashed. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. And to help correct the record! Thank you for this opportunity to testify. With Aloha,
Roxanne Darling

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RE: SB 1
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Position: Strong Support

Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, My name is Jennifer John. I am a Christian, a Mormon, a sister of a gay brother, and mother of a gay son. And I am writing in strong support of SB 1. The freedom to marry the person you love is a basic freedom that should not be denied to anyone. Gay and lesbian couples get married for similar reasons as everyone else – to make a lifetime promise of love, commitment and fidelity to the person they love. In Hawaii, we don't turn our backs on family. No member of anyone's ohana – gay or straight – should have to face shame because of who they are and who they love. The government should not be in the business of telling people who they can and cannot marry. None of us would want to be told that it is illegal to marry the person we love. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. I have been with my husband for almost 8 years. I proudly serve my country through the US NAVY, for almost 16 years now. We had to fly to California (once legalized), to marry each other. I thought this was America, the land of freedom, love, and support for all. I can't even understand how, or why we treat humans as if we are some type of alien, or creature with no feelings, the exact same feelings you have. I can go on forever with my reasons why, but honestly just ask yourself, of it were you, how would you feel? The freedom to marry the person you love is a basic freedom that should not be denied to anyone. Gay and lesbian couples get married for similar reasons as everyone else – to make a lifetime promise of love, commitment and fidelity to the person they love. In Hawaii, we don't turn our backs on family. No member of anyone's ohana – gay or straight – should have to face shame because of who they are and who they love. The government should not be in the business of telling people who they can and cannot marry. None of us would want to be told that it is illegal to marry the person we love. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Position: Strong Support

Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. The pre-set letter below describes beautifully the reason why two consenting adults should be allowed to marry. No one chooses to be homosexual, bisexual, etc., just as much as people don't choose to be heterosexual. I am a straight woman who grew up with separated heterosexual parents, very un-traditionally according to many standards, but I have still turned out to be an upstanding citizen of this country. They say it takes a village to raise a child, and it's true: I have step parents, aunties, and uncles, from all walks of life and it has allowed me to open my mind and realize love doesn't exist only between one man and one woman in marriage, it can exist in many forms and definitely between two adults of the same sex. So please, allow for more love to happen in this world, because hate is the last thing we need more of. Thank you. The freedom to marry the person you love is a basic freedom that should not be denied to anyone. Gay and lesbian couples get married for similar reasons as everyone else – to make a lifetime promise of love, commitment and fidelity to the person they love. In Hawaii, we don't turn our backs on family. No member of anyone's ohana – gay or straight – should have to face shame because of who they are and who they love. The government should not be in the business of telling people who they can and cannot marry. None of us would want to be told that it is illegal to marry the person we love. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Aloha mai kakou e Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. I am writing to you as a mother. I am writing to you as a Christian. And I am writing to you as the older sister of a lesbian young woman. My sister is too afraid to tell my parents about her relationships. They don't understand and what they don't believe in, they don't approve. We were raised devout Christians with the philosophy that gay people went to hell because of their sins. What I want for my children, and the state of Hawaii, is to benefit from the diversity that homosexuals and all minorities bring. I want my keiki to grow up in a Hawaii that is accepting, understanding, and embracing of all people. A place where Christian and universal values such as love and compassion for those less fortunate replace words and acts of hate and discrimination. Most of all, I want people like my sister to have the right to love whom she wants and to express that love through marriage if she chooses. On that day, as for me and my household, we will celebrate along with her. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1 as a Roman Catholic in Hawai'i. The freedom to marry the person you love is a basic freedom that should not be denied to anyone. Gay and lesbian couples get married for similar reasons as everyone else – to make a lifetime promise of love, commitment and fidelity to the person they love. In Hawaii, we don't turn our backs on family. No member of anyone's ohana – gay or straight – should have to face shame because of who they are and who they love. The government should not be in the business of telling people who they can and cannot marry. None of us would want to be told that it is illegal to marry the person we love. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. All people regardless of their sexual orientation deserve the same rights and privileges equally. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.

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Aloha Lawmakers, I strongly support Marriage Equality and believe it is a true human right for anyone to marry the person that they love and receive the same rights as any other human being in America. I am writing in strong support of SB 1. Thank you for calling this special session and I strongly urge you to follow the Supreme Court's ruling and make this human right available to every American citizen. I love Hawaii and believe that we can help set an example of what is right for the remaining states that have not yet created Marriage Equality in their states. Please help us do the right thing and make marriage availability to anyone and their partners! Ua Mau ke Ea o ka 'Āina i ka Pono! Thank you for this opportunity to testify. Mahalo and much Aloha, Rachel, Jess, & Baby Logan

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. The freedom to marry the person you love is a basic freedom. I am a father and grandfather. four of my children are in traditional marriages and one in civil union. All should have the right to marriage. The government should not be in the business of telling people who they can and cannot marry. None of us would want to be told that it is illegal to marry the person we love. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. This is a MATTER OF CIVIL RIGHTS, REGARDLESS OF ONE'S RELIGION. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. I hope that you consider why the right for Marriage Equality is so important to me. Marriage makes two people related--it allows them to be FAMILY. Without the right of marriage, my beloved and I will continue to be a non-related couple without the all legal rights and benefits that marriage allows. This includes Social Security benefits and Income Tax Law to name just two. I do not want to continue being a second-class citizen as an American. Two consenting LGBTQ adults should have the same opportunity to commit to each other legally as the State offers heterosexual couples. Religious belief should have no bearing on this matter as marriage is a civil contract. I am old enough to tell you that I also remember how the "Christians" used to lament that LGBTQ were "promiscuous" and "sexual deviants" that went from partner to partner. Funny, as it turns out that LGBTQ want to legitimize our relationships through marriage and commitment, we are told that we are not worthy. I ask you to offer my LGBTQ community the same rights and responsibilities that marriage offers. We want and deserve to have family to share our lives with. Please pass Marriage Equality. It is the right thing to do. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. We should have learned the lessons of the relocation camps for Japanese Americans in World War II and the segregated classrooms for Black students in Southern states. Please, do the right thing to enable all responsible, loving couples to federal rights and benefits for themselves and their children beginning with this calendar year. Discrimination does not have a place in the Land of Aloha. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. ***** I am gay, but do not have a partner (though I may look forward to it someday), but I have a female cousin who is "married"/at least in civil union (in Wisconsin) to her female partner, and even raise 2 adopted children--a sister and a brother. They have the same ups and downs and challenges as any straight couple does, and maybe more, due to gay couples being naturally in the minority in society. Yet, their isn't a family with more morals, standards, and most of all LOVE than they have. So, I hope same-sex partners, here in our Islands, can also soon enjoy the right to marry, and if they so choose, to also be able to raise a family with all the protections and benefits and rights for the sake of THEIR children. (It's not only straight, traditionally married couples who devote themselves, as touted in the current TV ads "For the sake of the children"...it's gay couples as well, just the same! THEY HAVE FAMILY VALUES TOO.) It's time for same-sex couples (who did NOT arbitrarily choose this lifestyle, who were made by the same Creator as those professing to speak for "God" against gay marriage)...it's time for us in the minority to be given the right, the civil right, to one of the most fundamental areas of life--to marry fully and fairly and happily. Yes, marriage is sacred, for everyone. May I add, thank you, Hawai'i Legislature, for this special session...because an issue as basic a civil right as this is, should NOT be left to public opinion, for the masses to decide. It should be decided by those whom we have elected to do what is right, "pono", for the community of these Islands as a whole...by you, who stand for the rights of EVERY citizen of Hawai'i nei (when it comes to matters of civil rights), whether in the minority or not. So, a big aloha for considering this most basic, vital issue--not just for some, even if they may seem the most vociferous, but for all of us indeed. For one thing is true--there is no "majority" or "minority" in being a human being.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. Discrimination is wrong in any form. Discrimination leads to the oppression and perpetuation of injustice against other human beings. This land has always been the home of a strong and cultural rich people who have suffered at the hands of capitalist and cultural oppression. In keeping with the traditions of fighting against oppression that harms every person who lives and is supported by the aina, I completely support the marriage equality bill to be passed in Hawai'i. In Hawai'i, we don't turn our backs on family. No member of anyone's ohana - gay or straight - should have to face shame because of who they are and who they love. No loving member of a family, whatever type of family it is, should be discriminated against in terms of visitation rights, tax rights, emergency rights, and access to resources that other families have access to merely because there are laws that police and discriminate due to sexual orientation. It is wrong and this injustice should be corrected. We have the power to correct this small injustice now, and I urge you to take that power in your hands for the right reason. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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From: Robert G. Walls, LtCdr US Navy (Retired) To: Distinguished Members of the House Committee on Judiciary and Finance Subject: Testimony in Support of Marriage Equality "Beware of false prophets" and "What would Jesus do?" are better guides for our Representatives than the Pastors Roundtable's highly presumptive and negative statement of "God's plan" and the demands of religious bigots. In fact, marriage equality will allow all of us to live our lives as loving families and honor the values of Hawaii. My family, like many others now and in decades past, was torn apart by needless discrimination and prejudice. When I was 12, and my caring big brother Don was only 17, he was driven out of the family by fear and ignorance - despite his kindness and many talents. Nearly 50 years passed before his death, after which I finally learned of his amazing life from his loving lifetime partner. Together we kayaked to Kauai and scattered his ashes at Kalalau in honor of his years of naval service in Hawaii. Sadly, what was taken from my family was priceless and can never be reclaimed. NO, our loss was not according to God's plan! NOW Hawaii's legislators must beware the highly funded false prophets who are now so stridently predicting doom. Yes, NOW is the time for equality! Sincerely, Robert Walls, Kaneohe, Hawaii

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. Love is one of the most glorious things humankind has to offer. By denying marriage equality, we are not sharing in love and celebrating it to its full potential. As a heterosexual female in a monogamous relationship, I find no harm done to me by this Bill. In fact, if this bill is NOT passed, harm will be done to me and to those I love. How can I NOT be hurt by discrimination? We are all one community and one Hawaii. I believe in equality for ALL, and this bill will provide for equality in one of its most beautiful forms. Not long ago, "scientific" evidence was used to discriminate against those of different races. Laws were implemented to allow for the segregation of schools. Many lined up on the streets with large signs to rally support FOR segregation and racial discrimination. This fight for gay marriage is not unlike the fight for civil rights. Please don't succumb to the arguments made against marriage equality. Let us be on the right side of history. The freedom to marry the person you love is a basic freedom that should not be denied to anyone. Gay and lesbian couples get married for similar reasons as everyone else – to make a lifetime promise of love, commitment and fidelity to the person they love. Why should Hawaii be in the business of denying this to them? In Hawaii, we don't turn our backs on ohana. No member of anyone's ohana should have to face shame because of who they are and who they love. That is not what Hawaii is about; Hawaii is about aloha. I want to be part of a community that spreads this aloha to EVERYONE. I strongly urge the committee to pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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the elderly. It is a shame that my mother-in-law could not overcome the strictures of tradition and supposed Catholic doctrine. Fortunately, modern society, the evolving Catholic church, and you the Legislature have the opportunity to acknowledge and enjoy the positive qualities that same-sex couples who have committed themselves to be married bring to the institution of marriage. It is not time to let old traditions and fear impair the fundamental right of all our citizens. Please pass this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families. Thank you for this opportunity to testify. Edmund Yee 138 Pinana Street Kailua, HI 96734

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing in strong support of SB 1. I have been living in Hawai'i for only nine years, so part of me feels I have not yet earned the right to speak. Most likely, most of the people reading this have lived here far longer and were perhaps born here. They have more of a "right" to speak than I. On the other hand, from the day of my arrival, I have strived to "give back" to Hawai'i, because I feel such gratitude for the opportunity to live here. Here is how I give back: I teach the sons and daughters of Hawai'i, at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, in my field of composition and rhetoric, whether preparing graduate students to teach writing or preparing undergraduate students to use writing in their studies and to prepare for their careers. It is hard work that entails hours and hours of reading, responding, and more reading to help students perform to their best. This semester, I'm teaching first-year composition, and I find myself every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in a room full of seventeen-year-olds who are nothing short of delightful. They're energetic, interesting, and full of respect—for one another and for me. They thus embody Hawai'i and remind me again and again of values such as aloha that were a part of this place long before any of us or our parents or grandparents or great grandparents set foot on this 'aina. When we work together to improve their writing, we focus a lot on argument and persuasion and key components of (1) logic, (2) ethical appeal, and (3) appeal to commonly held values. I haven't asked them to write any essays on marriage equality, but if I were to do so, #1 is easy: logically, there is no reason to keep in place a legal category that discriminates among citizens, as the Supreme Court of the United States has already affirmed. The ethical appeal, #2, is more complex. I realize there are listeners who equate ethics with morality and whose personal morality is grounded in religious beliefs, unlike my own. I was reared in the Methodist church, but I left it in my late teens, after one too many occasions when, after a sermon on the teachings of Christ, we would exit the church and within moments I'd hear comments that denigrated those outside our religion, comments that seemed quite the opposite of what I had been taught—that what I had read—were the teachings of a man bent not on discrimination but upon love. So even though I left the church, I took what I think is its most important teaching: to treat EVERYONE I encounter, bar none, the way I would like them to treat me. This is sometimes referred to as the golden rule, and it grounds my ethics. Finally, on the topic of commonly held values, #3, please consider this:

it took me 50 years to meet my life partner, the man with whom I will spend the rest of my days until one of us dies. I'm 61, he's 68. So we are at ages when both of us know that either of us could go at any moment. We could be traveling, for example, in a state where law dictates that someone admitted to intensive care, perhaps on the verge of death, may be accompanied in the ICU only by a member of the immediate family. If it were I on my deathbed, the only thing in the world I would want would be to have him at my side. If it were he on his deathbed, I would find forced separation at that moment the most unbearable experience imaginable. I ask married heterosexuals listening now to consider your own situation and to ask yourself if you do indeed share my values. If you do, please vote in the affirmative to allow marriage equality. We know from numerous polls that if those students I work with every day—that demographic from seventeen to thirty—were to vote on this issue now, they would overwhelmingly approve equality. It's logical, it's ethical, it appeals to our common values. Please show these young people—the future of Hawai'i—that you are voting on the right side of history. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I am writing to express the strong support of myself and my family for SB 1. As someone born and raised in Hawaii, I feel fortunate to have grown up in a community that values diversity, compassion, and social responsibility. However, as a gay person, I also grew up feeling, and continue to feel, that Hawaii's laws regarding same-sex marriage are in contradiction to these values. My ability marry who I love should not be something left to popular vote, but rather, a right protected under the law. I hope that after I complete my studies in college this year, I can return to Hawaii knowing that I am guaranteed this fundamental right. I urge you to please pass this bill and show the nation, your constituents, and future readers of history that Hawaii today is in fact a place of aloha. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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October 29, 2013

Honorable Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of the House Committee on Judiciary and Finance
Hawaii State Capitol
415 Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Hearing Date: October 31, 2013 at 10:00 am
Written Testimony Only

Subject: **Testimony in Opposition of Proposed SB1 Relating to Equal Rights**

I am writing in opposition to the proposed Senate Bill 1.

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The Bill that is being proposed extinguishes my religious liberty, and does not provide adequate protection clauses for religious organizations, its affiliates and individual members of the church.

The Bill excludes any protection clauses for individuals and small businesses. As a small business owner, this infringes on my rights of free enterprise and freedom of choice.

This Bill also excludes protection for our children in public schools and the negative content of their curriculum which will go against their religious teachings and upbringing.

This Bill will allow children born under the "Parentage Presumption" clause to have access to Native Hawaiian programs and schools without an ounce of Hawaiian blood quantum.

I humbly request that you **VOTE IN OPPOSITION** to SB1 relating to Equal Rights.

Sincerely,



Suellen Tanaka
1390 Keneki Place
Hilo, HI 96720

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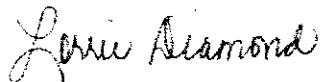
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Lorrie Diamond



HCR 3 Box 14073

Keaau, HI 96749

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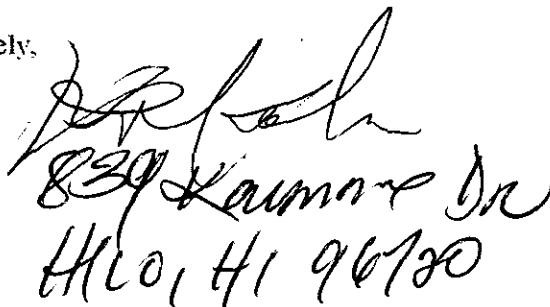
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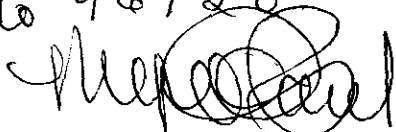
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25-3396 Opalele So
Hilo 96722


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444 Kehaulani St.

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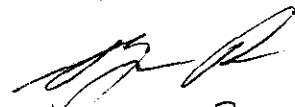
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Kalaheo, HI 96749

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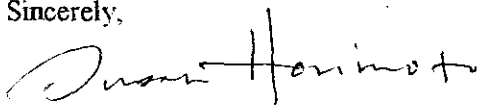
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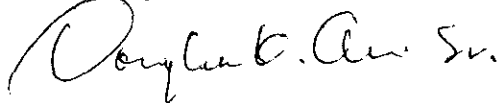
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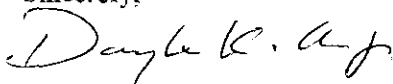
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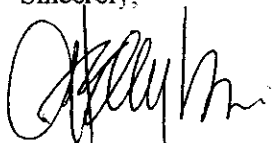
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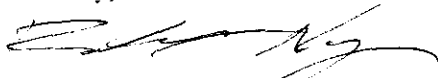
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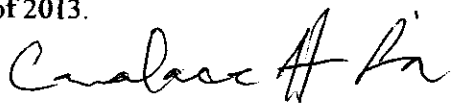
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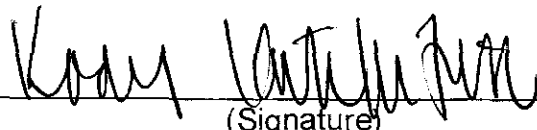
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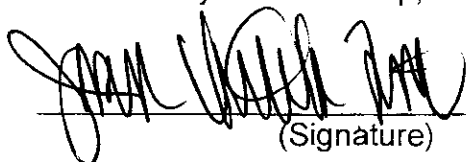
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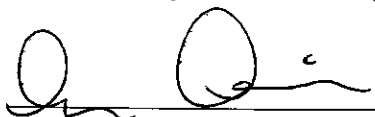
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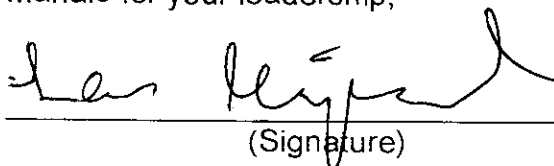
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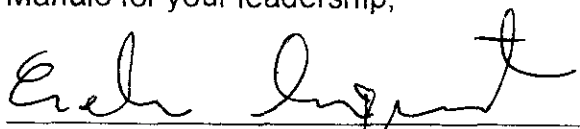
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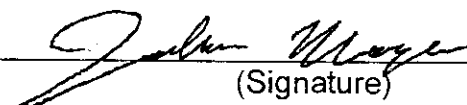
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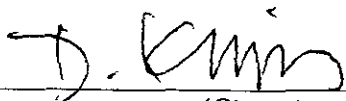
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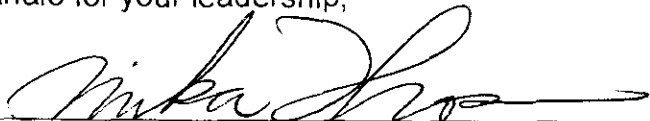
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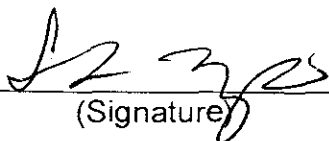
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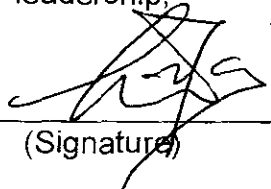
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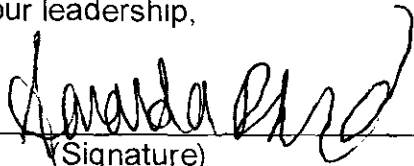
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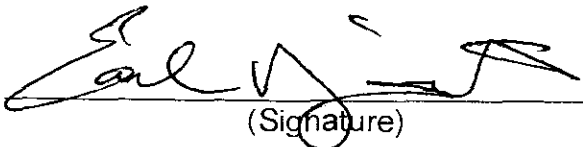
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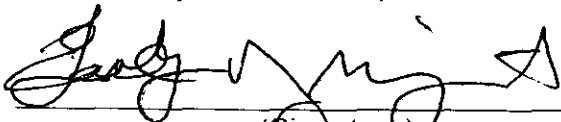
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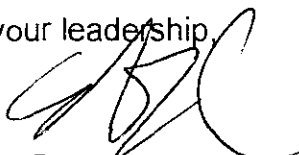
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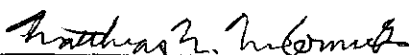
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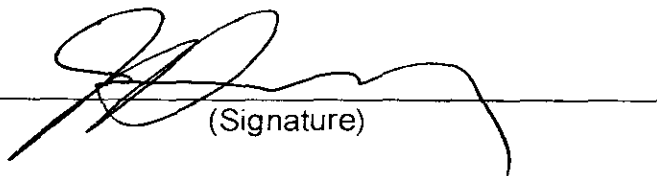
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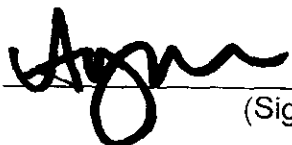
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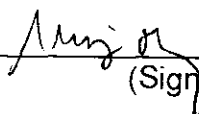
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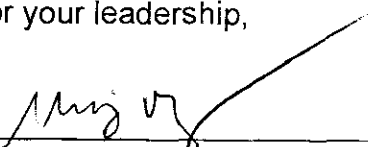
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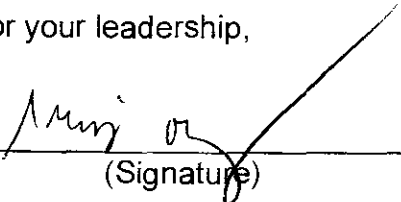
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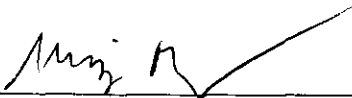
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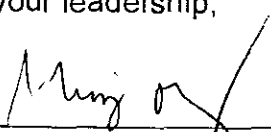
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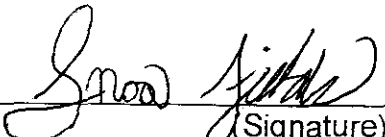
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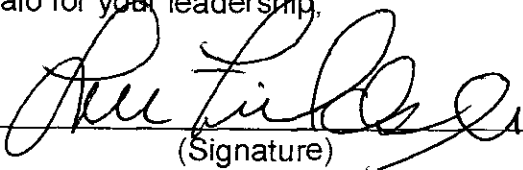
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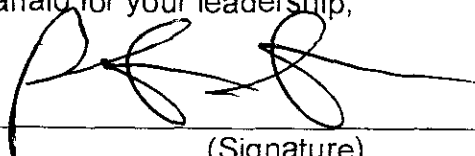
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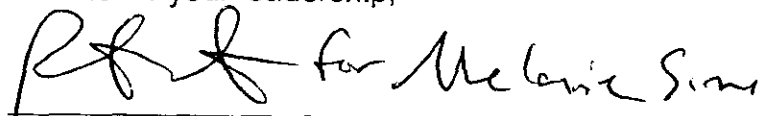
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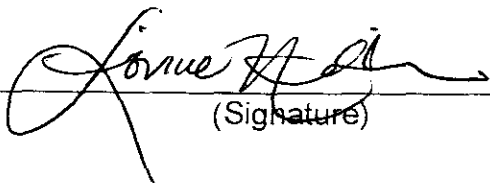
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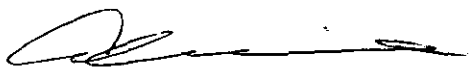
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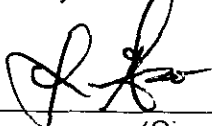
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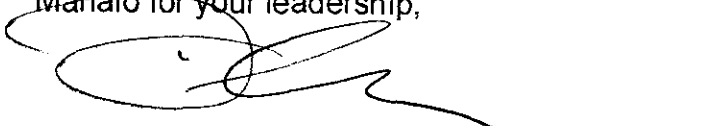
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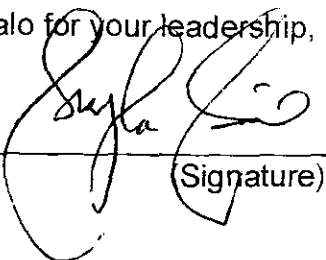
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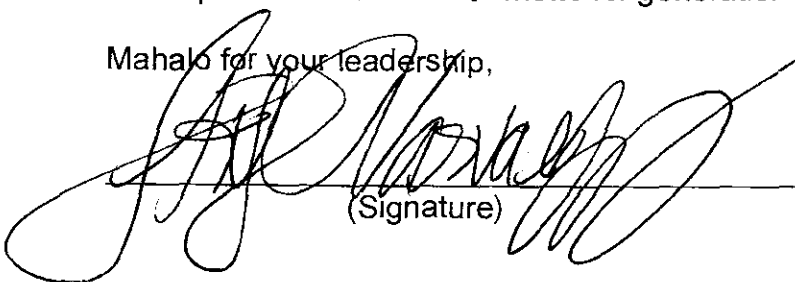
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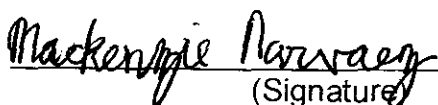
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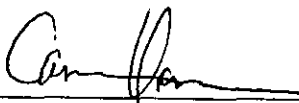
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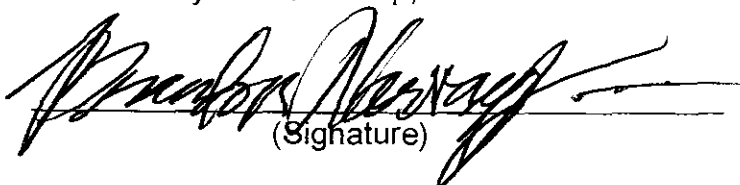
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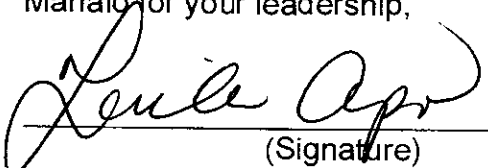
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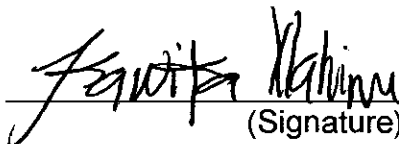
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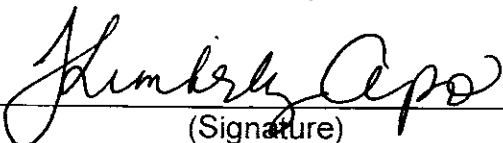
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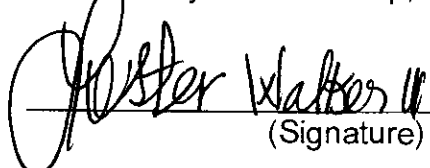
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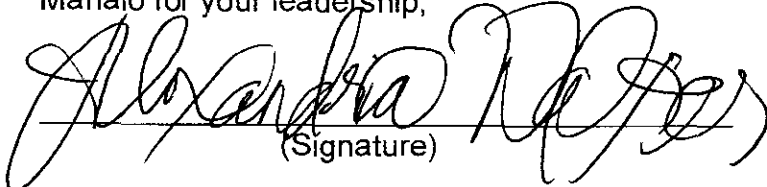
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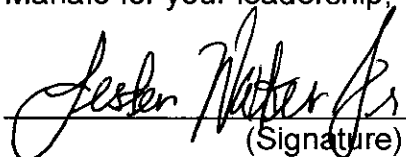
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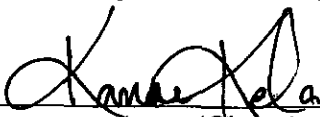
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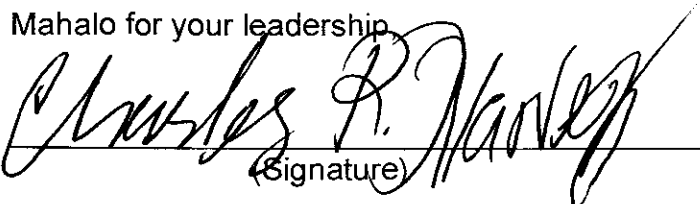
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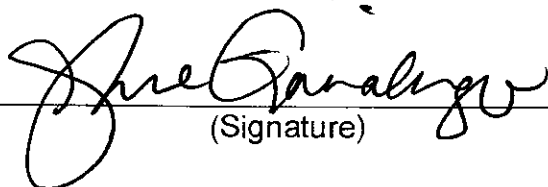
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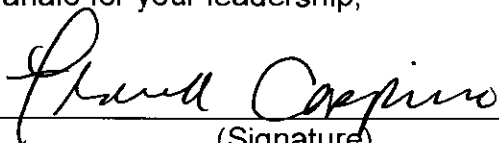
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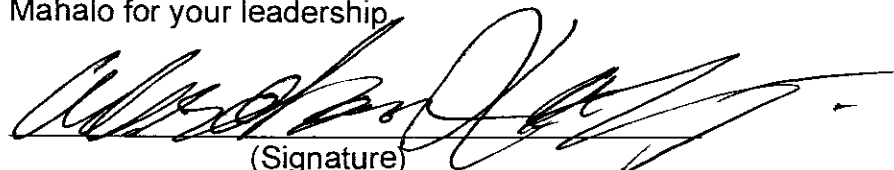
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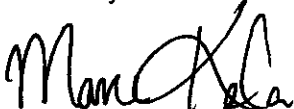
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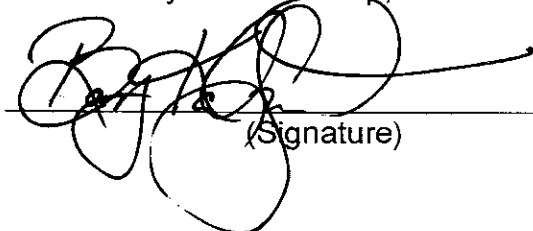
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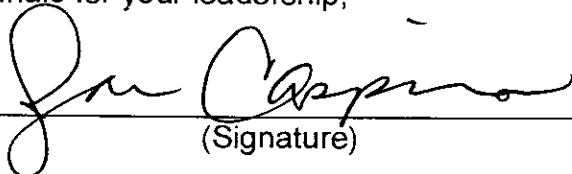
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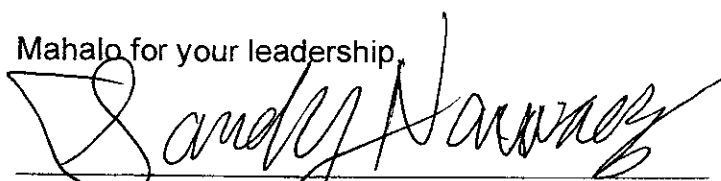
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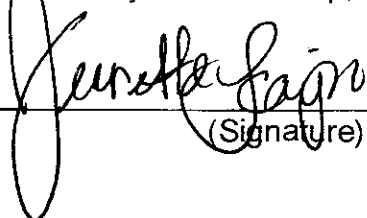
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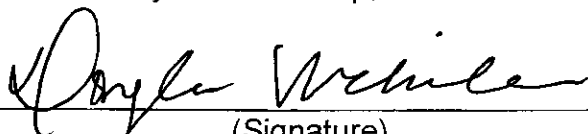
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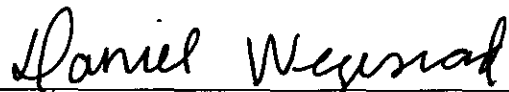
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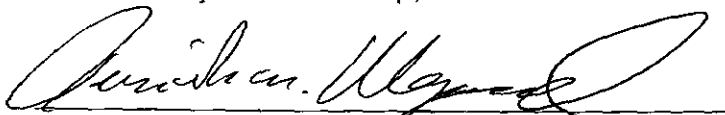
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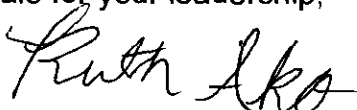
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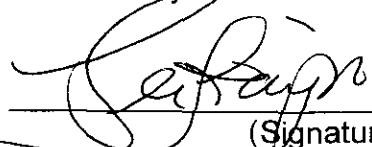
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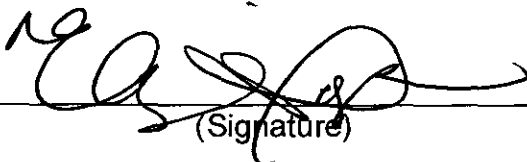
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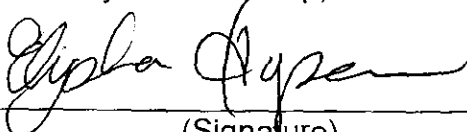
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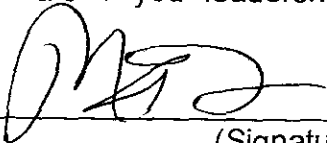
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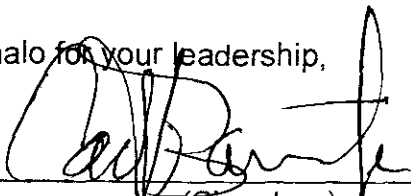
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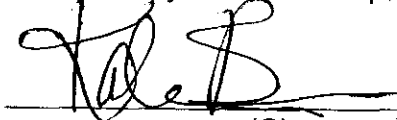
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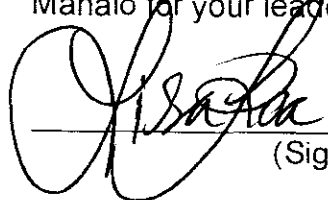
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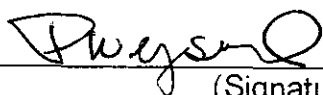
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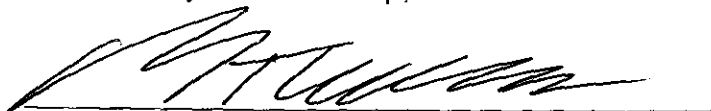
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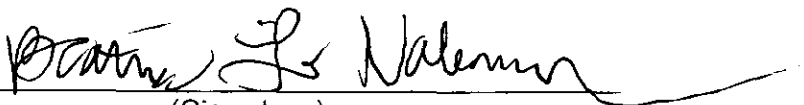
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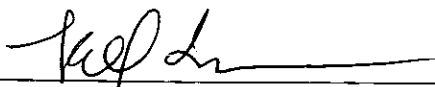
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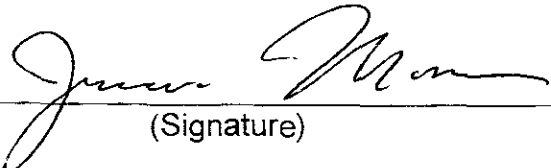
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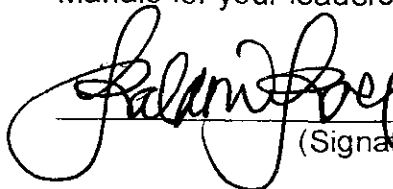
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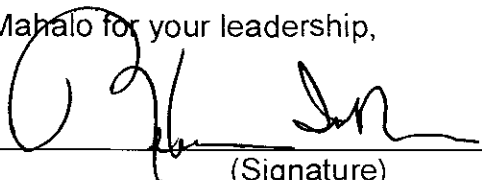
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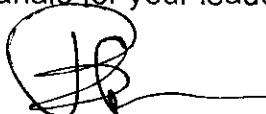
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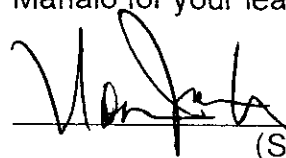
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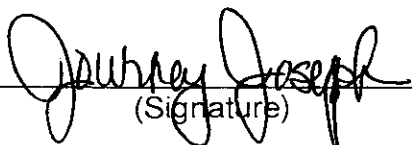
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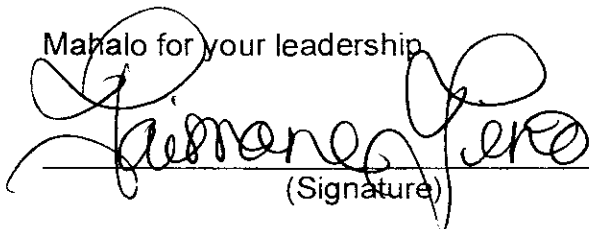
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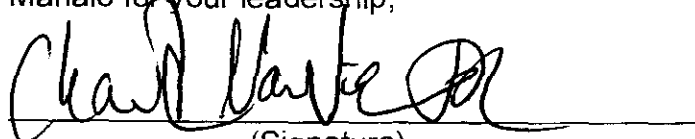
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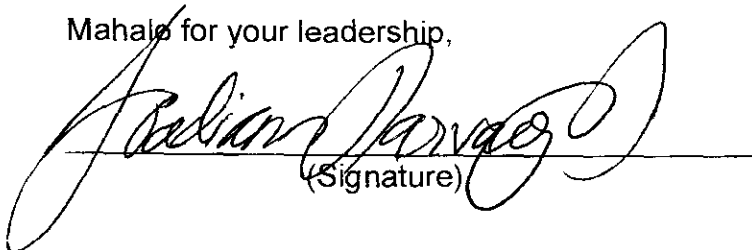
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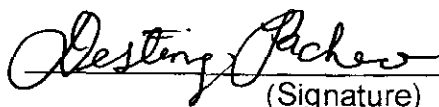
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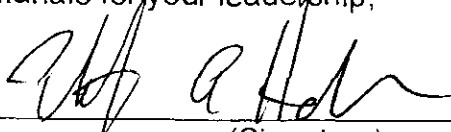
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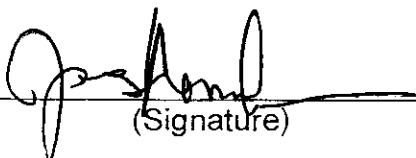
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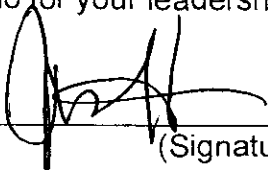
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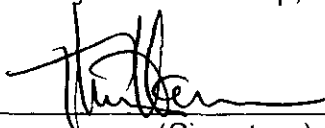
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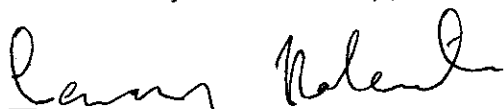
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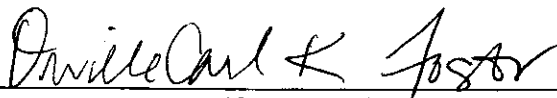
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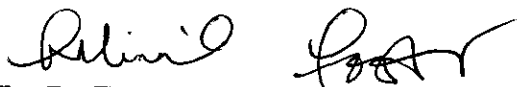
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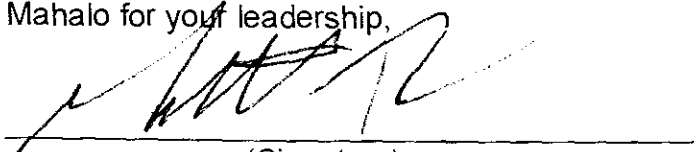
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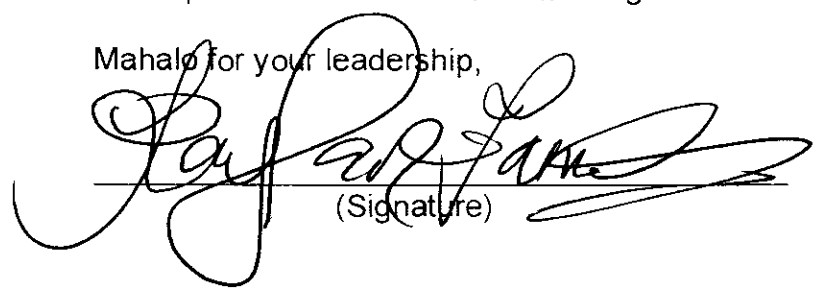
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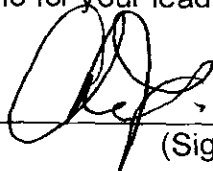
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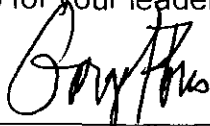
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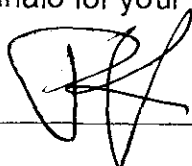
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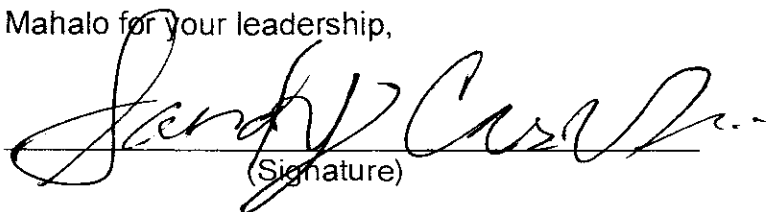
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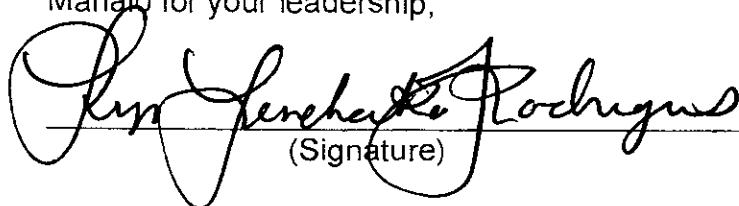
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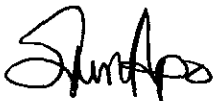
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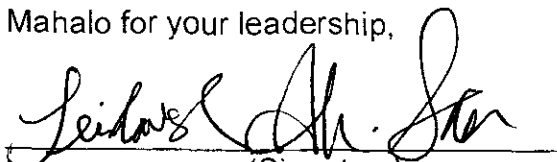
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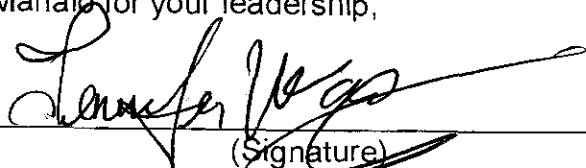
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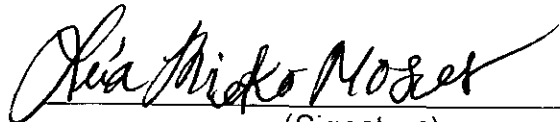
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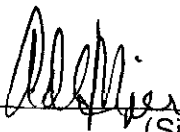
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Hearing Date: Thursday, October 31, 2013 at 10:00 am
I will be present to personally deliver my testimony.

Re: In **Opposition** to S.B. 1: The Hawaii Marriage Equality Act of 2013

Dear House Committee on Judiciary and House Committee on Finance,

I am opposed to S.B. 1, the Hawaii Marriage Equality Act of 2013, because in S.B. 1, section 572 C, it includes provisions of "parentage presumptions" based on marriage for same-sex couples. Parentage presumptions will transfer Native Hawaiian ethnicity claims to Non-Native Hawaiian individuals.

In every instance in a same-sex marriage, at least one of the partners is not the biological parent of the child. However, when "parentage presumptions" are applied, the ethnicity of both of the marriage partners automatically transfers to the child. The child's birth certificate will read Native Hawaiian. Benefits reserved for Native Hawaiians will be transferred to Non-Native Hawaiian children as a result of the Hawaii Marriage Equity Act of 2013. This is wrong.

In the Preamble of our Hawaii Constitution it states, "We, the people of Hawaii, grateful for Divine Guidance, and mindful of our Hawaiian heritage and uniqueness as an island State, dedicate our efforts to fulfill the philosophy decreed by the Hawaii State motto, "Ua mau ke ea o ka aina i ka pono." (The life of the land is perpetuated in righteousness).

I urge you to vote NO to S.B. 1, the Hawaii Marriage Equality Act 2013, to ensure the kind of future promised in our state motto for generations to come.

Mahalo for your leadership,

Tyrus Okinishi

(Signature)

I, Elliot Van Wie, support marriage equality and the proposed Hawaii state law which would principally permit this, SB1.

I come out in support for this bill due to its moral imperative. As a citizen of this country, a resident of Hawaii and most importantly, a human being who has had the distinct pleasure of being in love I would not fathom of denying two consenting adults the right to publicly celebrate this most treasured human experiences in solidifying their union.

Furthermore, it is the bond of marriage itself not, the assemblage of genders in its composition which create families with higher socioeconomic success.

Once again; as a friend, citizen, resident as well as moral person I, Elliot Van Wie, support SB1, marriage equality and anyone who wishes to celebrate the love they have found in marriage regardless, of gender or sexual preference.