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Kaneohe, HI 96744

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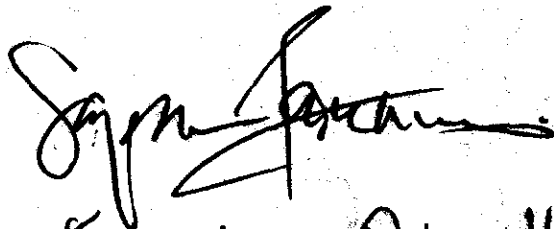
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Honolulu 96837
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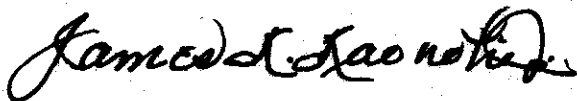
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Roseann Chan
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10-24-13

Aloha!

At the ripe old age of 47, (cough, sputter) I am now finally a registered voter and concerned citizen. I was never interested in politics until now. Since I am new to all of this, please indulge me for just a moment...

I am an educator with a long history working with thousands of our local keiki over the span of twenty years. I eventually built a hugely successful program at Aikahi Elementary, which then grew into an even larger program called Allegra Performing Arts with a huge commercial studio space in Kailua. I had 25 teachers and reached hundreds of students a year from 3 year olds up through adults and held regular shows at Ron Bright Castle Theater. I dearly loved my students and gave all of my heart and soul to this labor of love. I as well performed music regularly with my husband throughout the community. My name and my program became well known on the Windward side, I owned a beautiful beachfront home, 2 adorable Chihuahuas and my life seemed idyllic. I had built my own little Utopia... but I had a secret. I was secretly gay. Being raised Mormon I was taught that being gay was an abomination and was not "allowed" or even tolerated. I was doomed to suffer eternal damnation if I ever even had such thoughts much less dared act on them. I was ashamed of who I was and spent a lifetime covering up this horrible stain on my spirit and never told a soul.

To make a very long story short, at 40 I had a very important decision to make. I had built this empire with the involvement of my husband. My commercial lease was up for renewal and I could not re-sign without also committing myself to another 10 years of not only remaining married to my beautiful business, but to my sham of a marriage as well. After many months of wrestling with this awful decision I decided that I could no longer throw my own self under the bus for the happiness and comfort of others. Because of my fear that my beloved students and families would find out my dirty little secret, I felt my only recourse was to leave the island in shame and never return. When I announced the tragic closing of my center the local papers ran front-page stories and my students and families were heart broken. I was horrified at the publicity and depressed beyond belief. I was afraid of my husband at the time so I secretly bought a one-way ticket to the mainland. And all of this torment was mine to carry alone as I didn't dare tell anyone about my anguish.

I had to demolish my entire life, business, every relationship I held dear, walk away from my beach front home, business, students and pets just for the right to live my truth. I paid the ultimate price. The cost of my truth ticket was excessively high. What if there had been marriage equality and a prevailing message that it was at least "okay to be gay"? How might my life have been different? How many more students would I have had the ability to reach in the special and powerful way that I have with them? (At the time I actually believed that I could no longer be an educator if people knew I was gay and would have to give it up, which I did.) This kind of thinking was so incredibly damaging to my already fragile spirit.

After spending several years on the mainland learning to "live my truth" I have since moved back to Aiea. I have had to face all my demons and find a way to love myself and accept myself for who and what I am, regardless of the opinions and judgment of others. I am not perfect but I am a really good educator and have touched thousands of lives in a positive and often powerful way. (I often hear from students about how important my program has been in molding and shaping their lives in a significant way.) I started Allegra Performing Arts again this time as a non-profit that specifically targets at-risk youth in our community. I have found a great number of these special teens that need this program. Some of their stories break my heart. Due to the nature of theater arts, many of these youth happen to be LGBT kids. It is ESSENTIAL that they are allowed to feel confident and love themselves and know there is room for them in this world. They need to be accepted and not be made to feel like pariahs in our society. They need to feel like they are free to live their own truth in whatever manner they see fit and feel like they have hope for a future in a world that needs them.

I am so concerned about the messages our current laws are sending to them. I wasted 40 precious years of my life because of this discriminatory intolerance. I would hate to see a single one of these precious young people waste one more day feeling like they are unacceptable and not worthy of true love and the freedom to express that love and marry whomever they choose.

I do understand every oppositional argument as I grew up hearing and making these same arguments myself. However, at some point someone has to care enough to go against the grain and do what is right rather than what is popular. This is the conclusion I had to come to 7 years ago and have spent the past 7 years becoming a voice for those who do not have one. Does this make me popular? Heck no. I honestly wish I had been born straight and didn't have to carry this burden. Our LGBT teen suicide rates are the highest in the country. What messages will we send to our precious young people this year? Is there room for them in this world?

Respectfully,
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To: Representative Karl Rhoads, Judiciary Committee Chair
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From: Patricia Villiarimo-Cockett
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RE: SB 1
Thursday, October 31, Capitol Auditorium
Position: Strong Support

Aloha Congresspersons, My name is Patricia Villiarimo-Cockett. I am the mother of 7 children, as well as grandmother to 7. I came from Hana, Maui this past Monday to share my story; however I had to return home. For this reason, I am submitting this testimony. On Aug. 21, 2013, my daughter was married under bright skies and the eyes of God. I was able to witness my daughter dressed beautifully in white, walk down the aisle, embraced by her father as he gave her away; and of course, witnessing my husband cry at his daughter's wedding. I had never seen her happier. We celebrated with some 300+ family and friends. Her fiancé's, 93 year old, wheel-chair bound, grandmother came all the way from Oklahoma City, along with some 40 others of her family and friends. While her own 86 year old grandparents came from Oahu to bless their union. As in the tradition of Hana, family and friends came together from all over Maui to help in the wedding preparations, to make her day special. It had taken two years in the planning, and some \$20,000 was spent, between airfare, vacation rentals, rent-a-cars, food, cake, formal wear, tents and musicians. We took their wedding pictures, paraded around town honking our joy; then at their reception they cut their cake, danced the dollar dance, had their father daughter dance, and threw the bouquet. It was a beautiful wedding, and it was an honor to find out afterwards that my new daughter-in-law was going to take our name; to be a Villiarimo. They were married that day, under the eyes of God, blessed in their union by their grandparents, parents, brother's, sisters, aunties, uncles and friends. Why is it then that the State of Hawaii, says that they were only civil unionized? They have loved each other for over 6 years, committed that love to each other for the rest of their lives; and yet the State of Hawaii does not want to recognize that commitment as being the same commitment I made to her father. Why is it, of my 7 children, the state will only allow four of them to marry legally, yet for my three of LGBT children, the state will only civil unionize them. What the heck is that? It is discrimination. It is not following our Hawaii or US Bill of Rights. Which state that: "(A.2 Rights of the Individual)- All persons are free by nature and are equal in their inherent and inalienable rights. Among these rights are the enjoyment of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Isn't marriage the pursuit of happiness?" It also states that the "(A.3 Equality of Rights)- Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the State on account of sex. " If you take that phrase literally, which you should, that would also include sexual orientation. Under Hawaii state law, if my transgender child is

discriminated against at her work place, she can sue. So why is it then that the state is still discriminating as to whom we call married and whom we call civil unionized. It is wrong, and I will call it like I see it; it is discriminatory and bigoted. One argument that I heard on Monday was "why don't they just go to another state to marry? Then they will get the same federal benefits as a married couple in Hawaii. We don't need to change the law." (Sam Sloan). My statement to this is simple: If they had been married in another state, most of her siblings would not have been able to attend, nor most of her family and friends in Hana. She also would not have been able to have the traditional cultural wedding that she did have, and that is her right. Nor would the state have been able to gain that much money into the state economy. The money would have gone to another state. Finally, someone says, what does it matter. Well as a mother, a grandmother, it does matter. It is the state saying "that my children are not good enough to marry. That they are less of a person, therefore they don't deserve the god given rights to pursue happiness." It matters. My children are as good as anyone else's children, they should not be treated by the state as less than, as 2nd class citizens. It is a matter of what is right, the protection of their inalienable rights. Mahalo for your time, please support SB1 and protects everyone's right to marry who they choose. Patricia Villiarimo-Cockett Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

To: The House Judiciary Committee

The House Finance Committee

Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m.

Place: Capitol Auditorium

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From: Audrey Keesing
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RE: SB 1
Thursday, October 31, Capitol Auditorium
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. My parents always said marriage was a business and they were right. It is the driving economic force of the United States government, because you pay taxes as a married couple. Married people pay your taxes. Once married, you agree to work and settle down as a couple and you even might agree to raise children, your own, your step children, or you adopt and then you work even harder to make the money to support your family and you educate your children to work for a living and settle down. We pay for the weddings and the divorces and those business pay taxes. Marriage drives businesses and it drives entrepreneurs and non-profits and PTA meetings. We should have passed this more than twenty years ago to drive our tourist destination economy! I guess you have me and my friends and people like me to blame for this vote, because I was the State President of the National Organization for Women in 1993 when I was in graduate school and we supported this idea of same sex marriage. I stand on the platform of women's rights and went to the U.N. Beijing Women's conference, when Hilary declared, "Women's rights are human right" when Bhutto was sharing the stage with her. So I know I have human rights, so, but you have me to blame. I was ahead of my time when I ran for office with Same Sex marriage on my platform. I think our economy would have been stronger and more resilient if we had passed Same Sex marriage long ago, just for the weddings we could have hosted, alone! Now is the time for freedom and equality and sovereign bodies. Equal rights are human rights. Marriage resolves financial and health issues. It is an agreement of who you will file taxes with, retire with, share social security, medical benefits and inherit wealth from and creates relationships that support each other's families. 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. When I was a seven year old girl in the 1970's, I had to move from my home across the country and leave my best friend behind. I asked her to marry me when we grew up. She responded that girls are supposed to marry boys. Why I didn't know this and she did, is anyone's guess. I was a child and I saw with a child's innocence and logic. I believed that people should marry anyone they loved. When I was ten I met a gay couple and a lesbian couple and had next door neighbors, a man and a woman, who decided to live

together, instead of marrying. Marriage didn't seem to be the only living arrangement in my community. I, personally, have no desire to wed, but I want to keep my options open. 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.

October 30, 2013
Hand-Delivered Testimony Before 10:00 a.m.

Committee on Judiciary and Committee on Finance
State Capitol

Hearing Date & Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m., Auditorium
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Re: Opposition Testimony to Senate Bill No. 1, Relating to Equal Rights

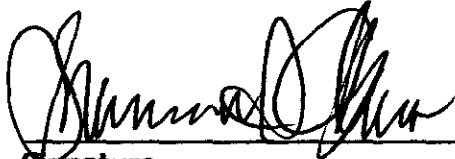
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From: Jonathan Ma
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RE: SB 1
Thursday, October 31, Capitol Auditorium
Position: Strong Support

Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Luke, and honorable members of the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance, I strongly support SB 1. As a resident of Hawaii, born and raised, I've been proud to call the Aloha State my home for the past 34 years. I've served 12 years on active duty with the U.S. Air Force, after graduating from the U.S. Air Force Academy appointed from the State of Hawaii, and am currently a pilot in the Hawaii Air National Guard. Throughout my time serving with the Air Force at home and abroad, I've noticed that the Aloha Spirit is world-renoun and that Hawaii is undoubtedly the melting pot of culture, acceptance, and the very definition of Aloha -- love. It is on that basis of love that it is unquestionable in my mind that marriage equality should be a reality in our Aloha State. This is very much the civil rights issue of our time. The epiphany of this reality is stemmed in a very simple logic. That people are either born straight or gay; and thus, it is blatant discrimination to allow marriage for a straight couple but not a homosexual couple. That logic is made with a simple litmus test; ask yourself: when did you choose to be straight? Being straight, or gay for that matter, is not a choice. The right to be legally married is a civil rights issue. Denying that is tantamount to going against the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution; a document I've sworn to protect against all enemies, foreign and domestic. Yet another litmus test of this civil rights cause is the simple substitution of any minority group's fight for their civil liberties, whether it is the issue of racial segregation, women's voting rights, or more recently, the overturning of DADT in our military. The arguments against all of these civil rights movements: that it would destroy the fabric of society, that it would bode nothing but doom and destruction of Biblical proportions was (and is) completely unfounded; and as history shows us, completely untrue. Racial integration (and inter-racial marriage), women's suffrage, and allowing gays and lesbians to openly serve in our military has done nothing but strengthen our society. It's time to be on the right side of history, and to prove to the nation, and the world, that Hawaii is indeed the land of Aloha. 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. It's the Aloha way... it's the very definition of how to "live Aloha." I strongly urge you to please pass

this bill to allow for marriage equality for all of Hawaii's families; and I thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration as you take up this bill. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify. Jon Ma Honolulu, HI 96813

To: The House Judiciary Committee

The House Finance Committee

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Kamaha'o Tani
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Jansi Butler

45-578 Lokea Place #A

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91-1016 Hoe'a St.
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Divion Filiga
45-212 Nakuhui Pl.
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45-212 Nakulani Pl.
Kaneohe, Oahu, Hawaii*

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45-624 Nāhānuike
Kaneohe, HI 96744

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Kaneohe HI 96744

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Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

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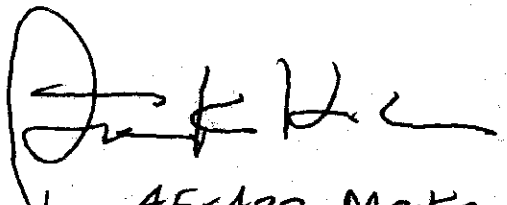
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Dayle Turner

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45-445 Lupo St
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Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Lynne Rulona
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To: The House Judiciary Committee

The House Finance Committee

Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m.

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From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 2:55 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: God votes NO to same sex marriage! (Written Only)

From: Cyrila Pycha [<mailto:rekmgr@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 8:31 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: God votes NO to same sex marriage!

Redefining God's sacred institution of marriage has harmful policies. Please do not pass this law.

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"When in doubt, DON'T GO OUT!"
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3adu6_k1W9A
Kauai's current weather & ocean report
<http://www.kauai.gov/default.aspx?tabid=360>



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 2:47 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: I STRONGLY OPPOSE BILL SB1 (Written Only)

From: Z Hough [<mailto:aliyah1323@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 7:52 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: I STRONGLY OPPOSE BILL SB1

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

I am writing in GREAT concern and in opposition to the Senate Bill SB1. I am a local resident, born and raised in Hawaii. I was raised in a home that taught us moral values, and love and respect others.

I and my entire family are totally against passing the law to legalize same sex marriages in Hawaii. In doing so, it distorts the minds of our children, our community, and our country. It confuses children from right and wrong. God created Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve. It was from the beginning of time that God create woman for man, because it was not good that man be alone. He did not create man for man, or woman for woman.

Allowing same sex marriages in Hawaii will be a total fail of our system, and corrupt the minds and thinking of our children, and distort their thinking of a "traditional marriage". I don't hate homosexuals, but allowing them to marry here in Hawaii will create a bombarded paradise flooded with homosexuals flaunting their sexuality. Hawaii is paradise, and yes we have troubles in our islands, and if the law is passed to allow homosexuals to marry in Hawaii, we will have homosexuals from every which way in the world flooding Hawaii and flaunting their sexuality. This is a very dangerous thing because those who are opposed to the same sex marriage, and for traditional marriages will feel violated.

Why bring trouble to our paradise? KEEP HAWAII PARADISE & KEEP TRADITIONAL MARRIAGES IN HAWAII.

I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB1!

Mahalo,

Tanisha Hough
Hanalei, HI. 96714



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Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 2:48 PM
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Cc: e.dumandan@yahoo.com
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SB1

Submitted on: 10/30/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
EVA DUMANDAN	Individual	Oppose	No

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From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 2:50 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1 RELATING TO EQUALITY (Written Only)

From: Carolee Fernandez [<mailto:caroleefernandez@msn.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 8:09 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1 RELATING TO EQUALITY

Karl Rhoads, Chair
House Judiciary Committee

Sylvia Luke, Chair
House Finance Committee

Re: TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1 RELATING TO EQUALITY

Dear Honorable Chairs Rhoads and Luke and Members of the House
Judiciary and
Finance Committee

I am Carolee Fernandez and I reside at 15-1336 27th Ave. Keaau, HI 96749. I am writing to you first as a registered voter of Hawaii and secondly as a mother, grandmother and great grandmother. I have lived in Hawaii for most of my life. I am almost 82 years old. I love Hawaii and am now heartbroken to see what is being done to Hawaii's people. It is almost incomprehensible what is being done to us. Is this not a democracy? Why are we being pushed aside? What is the great mad rush to do something that will forever change what Hawaii stands for and will affect our children. I know we stand for love and we do love ALL people. We just do not have to condone what they are doing. Have you really looked at the far-reaching consequences of passing this bill? Have you looked at what the children are being taught in the schools in the states that passed this bill? Do you know that parents have no voice there? Do you really want this for YOUR children or grandchildren? I am beginning to wonder if you are being forced into this. Please do not become involved in anything corruptible.

I have been praying for all of you daily that you will make the right decision. Remember this is not only about adult rights but about the future of Hawaii's children. Be akamai and let the people vote. That is the wisest

thing to do for all involved. Then there can be no backlash and then the people will be appeased knowing that they were considered in the process.

Mahalo,
Carolee Fernandez

I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart and I will glorify thy name for evermore. Psalm 86:12



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 2:52 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: I OPPOSE BILL SB1!!! (Written Only)

From: Z Hough [<mailto:aliyah1323@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 8:12 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: I OPPOSE BILL SB1!!!

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

I am writing in GREAT concern and in opposition to the Senate Bill SB1. I am a local resident, born and raised in Hawaii. I was raised in a home that taught us moral values, and love and respect others.

If SB1 bill passes, our rights will be taken away in a church and our morals will all be violated. Our belief is with God, and not with man.

If this bill is passed, it will create a sense of distrust for our government because our churches will be forced to marry the same sex in our church and we will have to abide by our government rules and regulations, and not God's law, but man's law.

What other corrupt beliefs will happen next? Allowing to marry your own child, and or their pets? These things are against God's law, and the same as for homosexual marriages. There is a reason why God did not allow this to happen, and my beliefs is strongly for TRADITIONAL MARRIAGE and not for marrying homosexuals in Hawaii

If you all don't believe in morality, it's your right to believe in your belief, but don't shove it down our throats, and cause havoc and chaos in our beautiful Hawaii.

I and my entire family are totally against passing the law to legalize same sex marriages in Hawaii. In doing so, it distorts the minds of our children, our community, and our country. It confuses children from right and wrong. God created Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve. It was from the beginning of time that God create woman for man, because it was not good that man be alone. He did not create man for man, or woman for woman.

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The majority of us that support Traditional marriage in Hawaii were born and raised here in Hawaii, and we DON'T WANT outside influences of a distorted union of man with man and woman with woman.

Why bring trouble to our paradise? KEEP HAWAII PARADISE & KEEP TRADITIONAL MARRIAGES IN HAWAII.

I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB1!

Mahalo,

Mrs. Lordes Galapir
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Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 2:54 PM
To: House Special Session
Cc: info@normzart.com
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SB1

Submitted on: 10/30/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
norm foster	Individual	Support	No

Comments: to whom it may concern, I strongly support SB1 and believe that marriage equality will be good for hawaii and the country. personally, I am straight and married to a woman but we know many gay couples, some of whom were married in other states or countries, and I have never seen any reason that they should be denied this right and every reason they should be allowed by law to marry if they choose. I have heard many arguments on both sides of the issue for years, and I feel very strongly that hawaii should pass marriage equality. it's the right thing to do, to join 14 or so other progressive states in this regard. besides, being gay has a history of acceptance in ancient hawaiian culture, in fact. please pass SB1. thank you and aloha, norm

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To: House Special Session
Cc: dchiu40@msn.com
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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Dicky Chiu	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: What is the difference between us and other countries? It is the right to vote. Now you want to change the law and take out our right. Should we call this equal? Please let us to decide. I don't want my kids ask why and waht happen to thier right. They will not have the right to vote in the future and lost out first amendment "Bill of Right".

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Llevellyn Lightsey	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am strongly in support of SB1 and for Equality for all. Mahalo!

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From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:00 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: NO SAME SEX MARRIAGE (Written Only)

From: Lori Patch [<mailto:lorainepatch@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 8:53 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: NO SAME SEX MARRIAGE

Plain and simple if you legalize same sex marriage it is only for tax write offs inheritances etc. The NEXT STEP WILL BE MARRYING YOUR PET DOG OR CAT ETC. THEY WILL BRING FORTH BILLS TO MARRY YOUR HORSE and claim them as dependents...YOU ARE OPENING UP A CAN OF WORMS. YOU WAIT 20-25 YEARS FROM NOW IT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU ALLOW THIS Its all about how to work the system.

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Aloha,
Lori



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:01 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: SB1 (Written Only)

From: fred Styer [<mailto:fstyer@hawaii.rr.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 8:54 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: SB1

This bill should not pass:

I believe that the government was chosen **BY THE PEOPLE**, and an issue of this Magnitude should **RIGHTFULLY** be voted on **BY THE PEOPLE** that RESIDES in this STATE.

Our leaders are teaching our young ones to disregard Moral Standards by their examples, why bother with the law of the land when you keep changing it to suit yourselves ???

We get so dismayed that our young ones become troublesome...it starts from the TOP! Misbehavior begets misbehavior.

Visitors come here because we are **UNIQUE**. Visitors don't come to see and experience bad behaviors.

This bill will and has started a chain reaction, life in this State, as we know it is melting away like ice on a hot day.

Can WE, THE PEOPLE, of this STATE, have one LAW that is
TRUE ?????!!!!

Praying for you all,



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:02 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: SB1 (Written Only)

-----Original Message-----

From: Van Skoubis [<mailto:vanskoubis@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:01 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: SB1

Hi I am petitioning NO on SB1.

Van skoubis



From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:10 PM
To: House Special Session
Cc: c4harumi@hawaii.rr.com
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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Anna	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Keep on purpose. It is about EQUAL RIGHT only. Religion and caving into peoples, groups and organizations personal opinion and or values are NOT THE ISSUE. Your are NOT making a religious statement nor are you passing judgement of anyones life style.

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From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:05 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: Same Sex Marriage (Written Only)

From: Harold J. Kilborn [<mailto:h.kilborn@hawaiiantel.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:03 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: Same Sex Marriage

Aloha!

I am emailing to voice my concerns over this "Same Sex Marriage." Please do what is right and let the people decide on this issue by letting the people vote to decide if they want it or not. You did it in 98', which was the right thing to do. We need to let the people of Hawaii by a vote again. They should be the deciding factor. You shouldn't take it upon yourselves to decide for us. This is dead wrong!

Kahu Harold J. Kilborn,
Kauai, Hawaii



From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:08 PM
To: House Special Session
Cc: blossoming_whitehawk@yahoo.com
Subject: Submitted testimony for SB1 on Oct 31, 2013 10:00AM (Written Only)

SB1

Submitted on: 10/30/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Cindy Whitehawk	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Same sex marriage is NOT something to vote on. It IS A RIGHT as decided by the supreme court. Please follow the court ruling and allow same sex marriages in our aloha state. PS I am fortunate to be in a happy loving heterosexual relationship with my husband of 21 years. I know same sex couple who have been in great relationships longer that I have. they have the RIGHT to be treated like any other loving couple.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Chairs Rhoads and Luke and Vice Chairs Har, Nishimoto and Johanson, Mahalo for considering SB1. I am in STRONG support of equal rights for same sex couples. Please hold strong and do the right thing! Mahalo nui loa, Rene Umberger

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SB1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Soul Dancer	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Honorable(s) Clayton Hee, Maile Shimabukuro, Mike Gabbard, Les Ihara, Jr. and Samuel Slom I am a resident on the Big Island. I am a gay man who is also a monk and social worker (masters level). SB-1 creates equal access to those who seek to enjoy the benefits of being married. In the spirit of Aloha, accept my testimony in favor of affirming SB-1 to recognize marriages between individuals of the same sex. Make it legal to extend to same-sex couples the same rights, benefits, protections, and responsibilities of marriage that opposite-sex couples receive. Make this change effective 11/18/13. Mahalo nui loa for your leadership, service and passion to support equality. Soul Dancer (yes, Soul Dancer is my birth name). sd@souldancer.org

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Subject: Submitted testimony for SB1 on Oct 31, 2013 10:00AM (Written Only)

SB1

Submitted on: 10/30/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Alisa Todd	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am a resident of Hawaii writing to say that I oppose SB1. I feel that something of this magnitude should be voted on by the people at the ballot box and not by the legislature in a short special session. I feel that the democratic process, the will of the people and religious freedom have been disregarded by this special session. I do not feel that the ramifications of this bill the way it is worded currently have been well thought out. This bill should not be passed, please vote no to SB1. Thank you for this opportunity to let my voice be heard.

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From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:29 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1 RELATING TO EQUALITY (Written Only)

From: Curtis Dilliard [<mailto:kansas3844@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:15 AM
To: JDLTestimony-WrittenOnly; Judiciary Special Session
Subject: TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1 RELATING TO EQUALITY

Dear Honorable Chairs Rhoads and Luke and Members of the House Judiciary and Finance Committees:

I am a registered Hawaii voter. I am requesting you to vote NO in the Equality bill. Please let the people vote on this issue.

Respectfully,

Curtis Dilliard



From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:31 PM
To: House Special Session
Cc: liberty13@hushmail.com
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SB1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Sean	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Anti-gay people are shouting to let people vote and why not let people vote. Simple answer: Because MY life is a dictatorship not a democracy in which the ONLY people who get a vote in MY life is Me, Myself, and I... oh and the man I choose to marry once we're married - until then he gets to drop a note in the suggestion box which will be discussed by Me, Myself, and I and release a statement within due time as to our decision on the matter in question. End snark. The "people" don't get a vote on what I wear. They don't get a vote on where I live. They don't get a vote on what phone or cable plan I have. They didn't get a vote on what school I went to. They don't get a vote on what spiritual belief I adhere to. They don't get a vote on what books I read, movies I see, photos I take, vacations I go on. Etc etc etc and they do NOT get a vote on who I marry. I am not their slave. I don't need their permission. Quite frankly, the fact that I am being forced to ask your permission to live MY life freely is offensive but here we are. I am a free person. I am a free American. I am somebody and I deserve FULL equality, as I am, right here, right now. What anti-gay people want in reference to MY life is irrelevant. They do not have a say. Marriage, per the supreme court of the United States, is a human and civil right protected under the 1st and 14th amendments. The supreme court also ruled twice that LGBT tax paying Americans are entitled to 1st and 14th amendment protections as we are - therefore we are also entitled to marry the person we love regardless of other peoples selfish personal opinions. Anti-gay people need to stay out of our lives. Either that or start providing financial support for our lives. American freedom and equality for all or none. That is the American way. That is what my grandfather was fighting for when he was stationed during and survived the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Thank you for taking the time to read this. Blessings to you and yours.

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SB1

Submitted on: 10/30/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Karielle Fakatoka	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I do not agree with this bill and think that it will do more harm than good to our state. Passing a bill like this is the start of a major problem in our state, and country, as we move away from what our country was founded on, God. There is nothing right about a man and a man marrying or a woman and a woman. Together they cannot reproduce, which is one of the most important aspect about marrying and having a family. They can't only do this, but if they wanted to have children, they'd have to go outside of their marriage to get that. I don't agree with passing this bill and know that if it is passed, it will create a snowball effect of problems for our state. It is not in the best interest of the people! You as leaders need to see the bigger picture!

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From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:36 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: SB1 testimony (Written Only)

From: Karen Samiano [<mailto:ksamiano1@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:24 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: SB1 testimony

Dear Sir,

My name is Karen Samiano. I am against SB1 because marriage had been defined as traditional between a man and a woman many centuries ago. God the Creator of heaven and earth, has set the standards.

This has nothing to do with equal rights. The rights of the homosexual/gay lifestyle is already in practice. Why infringe on my rights and other traditional couples? This is not equality. The homosexual/gay couples are forcing their beliefs and practices on us who choose to be a man and woman that can reproduce children. They cannot reproduce.

Not too long ago, the citizens of Hawaii voted for traditional marriage - - not homosexual/gay marriage. Why are the voices of Hawaii's voters being ignored?

The special session is not legal because it is not letting the people's voices be heard. If you listened before, there would be no reason for a special session now.

Please vote for traditional marriage between a man and a woman and against marriage between two men or two women.

I appreciate your hearing of my voice and taking the time to listen. Thank you.

Aloha Ke Akua,

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Subject: FW: TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1 RELATING TO EQUALITY (Written Only)

From: Kealani Dilliard [mailto:starlite_04@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:34 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1 RELATING TO EQUALITY

Dear Honorable Chairs Rhoads and Luke and Members of the House Judiciary and Finance Committees:

I am a registered Hawaii voter. I am requesting you to vote NO in the Equality bill. Please let the people vote on this issue.

Respectfully,

Kealani Dilliard



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:50 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: SB1 (Written Only)

From: Kathy Hashimoto [<mailto:kathyhashimoto@hawaii.rr.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:38 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: SB1

To Hawaii Representatives,
Please don't allow same sex marriage in Hawaii. I think its important for children to grow up with a mother and a father.
God created marriage to be between one man and one woman.
I do not believe that we should redefine marriage outside of that definition.
I am strongly disappointed that a special session had been called to do so.

From,
Elizabeth Hashimoto



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:53 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: Against same sex marriage (Written Only)

-----Original Message-----

From: sbrinks@hawaii.rr.com [<mailto:sbrinks@hawaii.rr.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:42 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: Against same sex marriage

Honorable Judge,
I am against the bill on same sex marriage. It is against my religion.
Please do not pass this bill.
Respectfully,
Susan Brinks



From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:52 PM
To: House Special Session
Cc: toluonoj@hawaiireserve.com
Subject: Submitted testimony for SB1 on Oct 31, 2013 10:00AM (Written Only)

SB1

Submitted on: 10/30/2013

Testimony for on Oct 31, 2013 10:00AM in Conference Room Auditorium

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Jane HoChing Toluono	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To: The House Judiciary Committee The House Finance Committee Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Place: Capitol Auditorium Re: Strong Opposition to SB1 Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance: I am writing to voice my STRONG opposition to Bill SB-1. I believe in the TRADITIONAL MARRIAGE between ONE MAN and ONE WOMAN, and in NATURAL PROCREATION which certainly does not make "same sex marriage/couples" the same nor equal to traditional marriage between ONE MAN and ONE WOMAN. I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. Please let the people's voice be heard and decide as it'll be the PEOPLE that's affected and the precious generations of our children to come. Please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session. Your "yes" vote in special session is clearly a NO vote to democracy! We the people believe that "broader" exemptions for religious institutions as well as religious individuals need to be included to SB-1. Thank you for the opportunity to testify and submit my humble and earnest concerns and STRONG OPPOSITION to this bill -- Please heed the pleadings and voice of your constituents and vote NO! PLEASE DO NOT PASS THIS BILL, SB-1! Respectively and Pleadingly, JANE HOCHING TOLUONO LAIE, HAWAII

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To: House Special Session
Cc: thomas.figueira@yahoo.com
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SB1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
thomas figueira	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Thank you counsel chairman and counsel members. My name is Thomas Figueira. I'd like to write about SB1. I DO NOT AGREE WITH THIS BILL AS IT IS! I think all the people of Hawaii should have a final say & vote on it. Just because the Governor has the right to hold a special session doesn't mean he can if he feels like it. Look at the BIG PICTURE here. This will not end here, but open the door for more & more that will effect the people in Hawaii. You think that what other people do won't effect you, but it will. I hope this not about money. Some things money can not do. And hope this in just about rights either. People have to VOTE on this. Only then will this be settled.

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SB1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Shan Nakamoto	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please do not pass SB1 in this special session for the Governor. This bill needs to have sufficient public discussion and evaluation. It is a very emotional piece of legislation that will cause more contention or confusion based on wording and intentions.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
David	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose SB1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
christopher metcalf	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: From the information given out prior to the ballot issue in 1998. This is from the form that you get when voting as an explanation. Explanation of proposed amendment The proposed amendment is intended to make it absolutely clear that a State Constitution gives the Legislature the power and authority to reserve marriage to opposite sex couples. MEANING of a "YES" VOTE A Yes vote would add a new provision to the Constitution what would give the Legislature the power to reserve marriage to opposite sex couples only. The Legislature could then pass a law that would limit marriage to a man and a woman, overturning the recent Supreme Court decision regarding same-sex couples. MEANING of a "NO" VOTE A No vote will make no change in the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and allow the court to resolve the lawsuit that has been brought against the State. How can we leave something so important in the hands of our governor to change the definition to anything he would like? He interprets it that way and I do not. Vote YES 285,384 or 69.2 % NO 117,827 or 28.6 % Chris Metcalf 3223 Elua Street Lihue, Hawaii 96766

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Phyllis Look	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support SB1.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Monique Saenz	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I'm strongly opposed to the bill. Let the people decide!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Jon Hamilton	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The House Judiciary Committee The House Finance Committee Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Place: Capitol Auditorium Re: Strong Opposition to SB1 Testifying in Person Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance: I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill SB1. I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. I support equality for all including the rights of conscience and religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders. I am opposed to the most contentious social issue in our history being decided virtually in one week and ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session. This bill should be given due process during the regular session where it can properly be vetted and examined as all other bills. The people who elected you to serve as their voices should have a say in public policy that will forever obliterate thousand of years of indigenous and non-native culture, customs and traditions. Your "yes" vote in special session is clearly a NO vote to democracy! Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 4:40 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: Same sex marriage (Written Only)

-----Original Message-----

From: M M [<mailto:mercedeskauai@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:58 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: Same sex marriage

As this bill is being looked at, I urge you to please uphold traditional marriage and not vote for this sb1.

I have no problem with a legal partnership, but as a conservative, please uphold traditional marriage as between a man and a woman.

Vote no on SB 1, please

Mercedes Maza

Sent from my iPhone



From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 4:37 PM
To: House Special Session
Cc: czarj8@hawaii.edu
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Submitted on: 10/30/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
czar jerome	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this bill to the fullest, equal rights shouldnt matter to what sex you fall in love and who you marry, it those no harm in any way to the people around them . It might be against some religion but there's a reason that there is a separation between church and power. Let the religion have there on choice, but the government should recognize marriage between same sex.

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From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 4:38 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: Opposition to bill SB1 (Written Only)

-----Original Message-----

From: John Cabello [<mailto:jhcabello@me.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:55 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: Opposition to bill SB1

Aloha,

I am a husband, father, teacher and Pastor on the island of Kauai. I am writing to express my opposition to Bill SB1. Our governor has asked for a special session based on equality while failing to consider the inequality of others. There has not been a special session for school equality. Our schools are falling a part of our population far greater than that of which you are hearing testimony on. Classrooms are packed and campuses are falling apart. Classroom technology is outdated. There is no educational equality when we look at the social and economic status of our school districts. A child's education is based on where they are born. That's inequality and that child has no choice. Why is not our Governor holding a special session for the most vulnerable of our society? Our Children who for no fault of there own are stuck in a school system that breeds inequality through economic and social discrimination. Passing a bill that will force schools to teach equality for gay and lesbians, while ignoring the the real educational equality happening in our schools is a travesty.

In one week time you will hear testimony and arguments for an issue that was already been decided by the people. Voting yes to this bill is expressing that our government thinks they know better than those who are in our community and have already voted No. It also expresses clearly that our governor and government has made a choice to ignore the inequality evident in our schools by failing to advocate for our Keiki who have no choice or voice.

Thank you,

John Cabello

Sent from my iPad



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 4:39 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: SB1 (Written Only)

From: Seth Gambee [<mailto:docgambee@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:56 AM
To: JDLTestimony; Judiciary Special Session
Subject: RE: SB1

Aloha,

My name is Seth Gambee.

I'm a resident with my family on the Big Island
in the city of Kailua-Kona.

I'm writing to submit my testimony regarding SB1,
the Marriage Equality Act, which is now in special session.

First of all, I am opposed to it.

Marriage is between a man and a woman and is the fundamental unit
of a strong and stable society.

I have no problem with other couples receiving the same legal benefits
as married couples, but why do we need to change the definition
of something that has stood the test of time for thousands of years to do that?

I understand that you're having this "special session" because you don't
want it to go through a public vote again in light of what happened years ago.

However, we will still hold you accountable at the next election for whatever actions you take.

If you do pass this legislation, as it appears you're trying to do,
it is fundamentally important that you give stronger protection
for the religious freedoms of others.

There is no need to limit the rights of individuals, clergy and churches
and to take away their ability to practice what they believe by forcing
them to participate in practices they disagree with.

It's not right to grant rights to one group of people at the expense of others.

I would never attempt to force anyone to practice or support something
they don't believe in or that goes against their conscience, so I urge
you in the strongest terms possible to consider what you're doing
with religious freedom rights in this legislation.

We will be watching.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mahalo,

Seth Gambee
75-6132 Lea Place
Kailua-Kona, HI 96740



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 4:39 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: Vote NO on SB 1 (Written Only)

From: Maka Jones [<mailto:cmakajo@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:58 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: Vote NO on SB 1

Please vote NO.

Vote NO.

Let the people decide!!!!

Thank you.

Chris Jones



From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 4:41 PM
To: House Special Session
Cc: jeranemoelena@gmail.com
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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
JEROME TOLUONO	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To: The House Judiciary Committee The House Finance Committee Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Place: Capitol Auditorium Re: Strong Opposition to SB1 Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance: I want to go on record that I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB1. I believe in "Traditional Marriage" and the sanctity of marriage between ONE MAN and ONE WOMAN. I also believe and request that more and broader exemptions for religious institutions and religious individuals be included in this bill. Please let the people vote and decide this crucial and very important issue for our lives and future. VOTE NO to SB1; LET THE PEOPLE DECIDE. I do not want our young and very impressionable daughter to be taught AGAINST OUR WILL in school. Thank you and we ask that you please consider our wishes and concerns very seriously and the voices of the people that have put our trust in you as our legislators. VOTE NO! JEROME TOLUONO Laie, Hawaii

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October 30, 2013

Karl Rhoads, Chair
House Judiciary Committee

Sylvia Luke, Chair
House Finance Committee

RE: Testimony in OPPOSITION to SB1 relating to Equality

Dear Honorable Chairs Rhoads and Luke and Members of the House Judiciary and Finance Committees:

I am writing as a concerned citizen to oppose Senate Bill 1 (proposed Marriage Equality Act). I am a long time resident of Laie and have lived here for over 35 years. I have four children who were raised and still being raised here. I love my life and living here in Paradise.

I value traditional marriage as a union between a man and a woman as well as our 1st Amendment which guarantees religious freedom, belief and choices. I believe that a marriage between a man and a woman is essential to the well-being of children, families and society. Protecting traditional marriage and our religious freedom are fundamental to successful families and a strong society.

I strongly oppose this bill for the following reasons: This bill fails to protect my religious freedom. This bill does not fully protect religious institutions, properties and churches when it comes to same-sex celebrations, goods and services. This bill does not protect individual rights, it forces individuals and small businesses to participate in or support same-sex wedding ceremonies against their religious beliefs. This bill does not protect religious parents to remove their children from classes that support or promote same-sex marriage or minimize the importance of traditional marriage. If we do not comply with these requests, we will be fined, arrested or ostracized for our religious beliefs. If this bill is passed, we are forced to accept the moral rights and beliefs of homosexuals as being normal in society.

I strongly urge you to **please vote NO to the proposed Marriage Equality Act**. Thank you for all your service.

Sincerely,

Ualani Mo'o Nagy

To: The House Judiciary Committee

The House Finance Committee

Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m.

Place: Capitol Auditorium

Re: Strong Opposition to SB1To: The House Judiciary Committee

The House Finance Committee

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Re: Strong Opposition to SB1

Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance:

I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill SB1.

I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. I support equality for all including the rights of conscience and religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders.

I am opposed to the most contentious social issue in our history being decided virtually in one week and ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session.

This bill should be given due process during the regular session where it can properly be vetted and examined as all other bills. The people who elected you to serve as their voices should have a say in public policy that will forever obliterate thousand of years of indigenous and non-native culture, customs and traditions. Your "yes" vote in special session is clearly a NO vote to democracy!

We are one of two countries that was founded by God (Israel and the United States.) We are a Judeo-Christian country based on the principles found in the bible. If our fore fathers could see where we've come I'm sure they would have spelled out exactly what should be.

We've taken prayer out of our schools, removed the ten commandments from our courts, supported gay marriages in thirteen of states and during 9/11 we ask "Where is our God?" My bible says, " Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach unto God". We need to repent of our sins and ask God for forgiveness. Only then will He hear from heaven and heal our land. I pray that we do not become another "Roman Empire " one of greatest empires that no one overtook, but fell from within because of their sin and decadence. I ask you to forgive me if I have not prayed for you enough. We all need prayer to hear what God is saying and to act on His truth. I'm begging you not to pass this bill for the sake of our children, grand-children and future generations. Lets honor our state motto and God's principles. It is only then that we will be blessed.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

(Francis Ocalvey)

(365 Kaimake Lp. Kailua, HI 96734



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 4:52 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: Written Testimony (Written Only)

From: Teruyas [<mailto:pteruya@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 10:10 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: Written Testimony

Please vote NO on same sex marriage. This is not an issue for only a few to decide. All voters in Hawaii should have a voice in this.

Please consider the implications to future generations. A study out of Canada shows that children from lesbian/gay household have a higher high school dropout rate than children from single parent homes and traditional families.

We cannot gamble with Hawaii's children and their future.

*Review of Economics of the Household<<http://link.springer.com/journal/11150>>
*December 2013, Volume 11, Issue
4<<http://link.springer.com/journal/11150/11/4/page/1>>,
pp 635-658*

Oppose same sex marriage.

Thank you.

Patricia Teruya



From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 4:45 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: SB1he (Written Only)

From: Elaine Logan [<mailto:loveatmyworld@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 10:08 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: SB1he

Marriage between a male and female produces life. I want the law to remain the same. Please vote against same sex marriage. Mahalo.
Elaine Logan



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To: House Special Session
Cc: hwetzel21@gmail.com
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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Heather Minnick	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I'm very much opposed to this bill. Marriage is a sacred union and if passed I believe that this should no be called marriage. It should be a union or titled differently, but I do not agree with passing this bill. Please consider what you are doing and what you are trying to pass.

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Phil	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Hello and Good day. I wish to share my deepest concern for the homosexual population of Hawaii. Although society is changing and our culture evolves to support homosexual orientation, the dangers of the lifestyle remain pernicious. It is a sad truth that HIV infection continues to rise in the homosexual community in stagger numbers (CDC). Unless we try to help them and figure away to alleviate our fellow citizens of this deadly issue, we are only enabling them. If you wish to help reach out and love our neighbors, you'd give them the honest truth. Marriage would only increase the dangerous biological acts of homosexuality and further this epidemic. Please consider reason and help save our ohana.

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Keri Jones	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I know you've heard every argument in the book by now. All I want to say is that I have been in a committed relationship for 17 years and would like to get married. I want this for myself, for my family, and for the federal rights and benefits it provides. Please consider how you would feel if gay people could go to Vegas and marry someone they just met, but you couldn't marry someone you've been committed to for 17 years. Please pass this bill and end the "separate but equal" policy we all know from history is never equal. Mahalo

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Cc: janthomas77@gmail.com
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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Janet Thomas	Individual	Oppose	No

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From: Judiciary Special Session
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 5:06 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: Marriage Equality Supporter (Written Only)

From: Trinna Schramm [<mailto:trinnas@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 10:45 AM
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Subject: Marriage Equality Supporter

Aloha!
Please pass the marriage equality bill SB 1.
Mahalo!
Trinna Schramm
Kaneohe, HI



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Rev. Dr. Robert W. Nelson	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I urge you to lend your support to legislation providing marriage equality to the people of Hawai'i. Persons who are of the same gender have suffered inequality under the law for far too long. As a priest in The Episcopal Church and a long-time resident of Hawai'i, I can bless same-gender marriages; however, it is up to the State of Hawai'i to provide the legal means for such marriages to take place. Inequality under the law is not acceptable! Rev. Dr. Robert W. Nelson

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Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 11:06 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: Aloha! Testimony for the Judiciary & Finance Committees

Aloha,

My name is Leavitt Thomas, Licensed Unity Teacher, Minister of Pastoral Care, Unity Church of Hawai'i and I would like to submit testimony to the Judiciary & Finance Committees at the hearing on October 31, 2013 concerning the measure SB1. I am not able to give my testimony in person.

I believe this issue is quite simple...

"Aequalitas enim omnia" - "Equality for all"

Thank you very much.

Blessings of Aloha and may your mind, body and Spirit always be aligned in Peace,

Leavitt Thomas, L.U.T.
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Greg Garneau	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am writing in strong support of SB 1. Although I would have preferred to testify in person, I live on Maui and am unable to attend the committee hearing. My partner, Steve Torres, and I have been in a committed relationship since 1984 and have lived in Hawaii since 1991. We have thought of getting married out of state many times, however, we want to be married in Hawaii which is our home. You no doubt have been told of the many reasons in favor of equal marriage, but in our view the most important reason is to listen to the people who will be most affected by the legislation. Steve and I are asking that our relationship have the same respect, rights, and responsibilities as any opposite sex, married couple. We do not want special rights under the law, just the same ones that married couples enjoy. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Janet Thomas	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To: The House Judiciary Committee The House Finance Committee Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Place: Capitol Auditorium Re: Strong Opposition to SB1 Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance: I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill SB1. I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. I support equality for all including the rights of conscience and religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders. I am opposed to the most contentious social issue in our history being decided virtually in one week and ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session. This bill should be given due process during the regular session where it can properly be vetted and examined as all other bills. The people who elected you to serve as their voices should have a say in public policy that will forever obliterate thousand of years of indigenous and non-native culture, customs and traditions. Your "yes" vote in special session is clearly a NO vote to democracy! Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Janet Thomas Honolulu, Hawaii

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Anne Noguchi	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Dear Committee Members, I am a retired teacher who taught in the Hawaii Public Schools system for 26 years. My reason for testifying is simple. I have seen the war on children escalate over the years and I believe this generation is so confused they no longer understand the difference between right and wrong. All different lifestyles have been introduced to them, and they are trying to try them all. It pains me to see my former once innocent students in the police blotter. They have lost their way. Introducing same sex marriage will further confuse them because now we will have to teach them that natural law is no longer. How can our elected officials do this to our keiki? Let the people vote and forever we can be satisfied knowing it was the parents, grandparents and relatives who chose this for our state. Hoping you will bring back the democracy we once had, I ask that God bless you in this endeavor.

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To the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Senate Bill 1 - Relating to Equal Rights; Marriage Equality
Special Session
Hearing Date / Time: Monday, October 28th, 2013; 10:30 am

Aloha, Senator Clayton Hee, Senator Maile S. L. Shimabukuro, and Senator Donna Kim Mercado,

Thank you for taking the time to read and acknowledge my testimony. I realize that your time is valuable, so I will be brief.

I wish to express my opposition to this Senate Bill as relating to Marriage Equality, or in essence Same Sex Marriage. I am a voting constituent in the McCully / Moiliili District and I believe that the passing of this bill will forever shape the way our first amendment rights and the way we educate our children will be lived out.

I am a former middle school teacher in California and the Hawaii D.O.E., and current preschool director in downtown Honolulu. The ramifications of making no difference between genders (not only by giving them the right to marry, but by gender neutralizing language in documents and in practice of common language) will place proverbial cuffs on our parents and educators from teaching children the very real differences between boys and girls, men and women, and some of the traditional, yet necessary roles they occupy in society.

I am not against the union of two people who commit to love each other, but the act of marriage carries so much more weight, and changing that will leverage groups like the LGTB alliance to push for more and more rights just as they have done in Canada - since 2005 this country has struggled with the obliteration of *parental* rights to teach their children without the government getting involved through the schools, and allowing sexual education to enter the curriculum as early as *first grade*.

This issue is so much more than stopping bullying and anti-discrimination against homosexuals, it will trample on freedom of religion, speech, and education of ALL individuals. Educators and school counselors can still counsel students who have gender identity issues and discourage bullying of all kinds, even without marriage equality. The message can still be focused on the individual person or even partners who wish to continue their civil unions.

Please do not allow our state to change the face of equal rights and have a negative affect on how we raise our children. Thank you again for your time - please make the right choice for your children and grandchildren.

Most Sincerely,

Mrs. Jennifer Bryant



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Subject: FW: In support of equal marriage rights (Written Only)

From: Jennifer Yamanuha [<mailto:jyamanuha@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 11:11 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: In support of equal marriage rights

Please vote in support of equal marriage rights. The church and state should not dictate the freedom of consenting adults to marry. Let's open our hearts and our minds!

Mahalo,
Jennifer Yamanuha



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Teresa Parsons	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I respectfully request support of the Marriage Equality Act by the House of Representatives. I believe this action will serve ALL the people of Hawai'i while protecting the rights of those who choose not to perform marriage ceremonies for same sex couples. We are a people of ALOHA and inclusion, not discrimination and separation. I request your committee's support to move this bill to vote, so we can move on to other important business. I thank you for considering this important legislation and for accepting this testimony in SUPPORT for Marriage Equality in Hawai'i. Mahalo, Teresa Parsons, Kailua, HI

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Jaime Gusman	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Oct 31, 10:00a House Judiciary and Finance Committee Re: Bill #SB1 Hawaii State Capitol 415 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Subject: Testimony in Opposition of Proposed Hawaii Marriage Equality Act of 2013 Hi, my name is Jaime Gusman. I have been a resident of Hawaii for 32 years, registered voter and high school teacher for 4 years on the Big Island. Usually I am not one to submit a testimony, but knowing the importance of this issue, I decided to submit one. I am opposed to this bill for three reasons. The first reason is the enforcement of the bill on churches, religious organizations and businesses. Even though the bill allows Same-sex couples to utilize any church, facility or business, the bill, on the other hand will take away our religious freedom and rights. I don't feel it is right that those who do not believe in Same-sex marriages should be forced to allow them to use their churches, facilities or businesses. Those who have testified earlier this week said that it is discrimination for businesses to refuse service to same-sex couples but many businesses in Hawaii and all over the world have signs that say "We have the right to refuse any service". In Japan, people are told to leave their hot springs facilities if they have tattoos on their body, it can be small or big. The reason why they do not allow them into the hot springs is because of their beliefs toward tattoos. I have had foreign gay friends turned down at hot springs, but this was not because the owners did not like them or knew they were gay. It was just against their standards and beliefs. People with tattoos are not allowed in Hot springs. In Hawaii, when they turn down a customer due to their actions, appearance, beliefs, etc, are they being discriminatory? I believe they are doing this because their businesses have standards and rules all people have to follow. I feel it is the same concept for everyone else. All of these organizations, churches, businesses, etc, should not need to lower their standards and put their beliefs aside to please anyone. Why shouldn't churches, religious organizations and businesses have the same privileges? To be able to refuse if it doesn't go with their beliefs and standards. This does not mean we do not love Same-sex people. I have many gay friends and love them very much, but they understand that I have my own beliefs and respect that. I feel that the churches, facilities and businesses should be free and able to exercise their standards and rights. Religious freedom is one of our founding principles in our country. The constitution also states that we are entitled to religious freedom. We should be able to practice what we believe in. The second reason I am opposed to this bill is the unfairness of this bill. Many who are in support of the bill says this bill is of equality, but is it really equal and fair? Government officials were able to vote for these bills and the people were given an opportunity to testify, but they were not able to vote for the bill. The people were not able to voice through their ballot. Is this fair? One group must give up their religious freedom and rights which is entitled to us in the constitution and the other group is allowed to take away those rights for their own benefits. Hawaii already offers civil unions

and many places throughout the islands accept gays and lesbians. Is it necessary to legalize same-sex marriage? Churches, religious organizations, facilities and businesses should also be put fairly into the picture. How are the churches, religious organizations, facilities and businesses rights going to be protected and how can we exercise the rights we are entitled to have. In Hawaii, there are so many diverse cultures, religions and individuals, how will these populations benefit and receive fairness from the bill? The bill should be fair on both sides for the people of Hawai'i. The last reason why I am against this bill is because of how the bill redefines marriage. I am religious and believe that marriage should only be a unity between a man and a woman, but growing up from a family of good parents both a mother and father, I know the importance of having a mother and father. My parents were the foundation in my family and with the family values they taught me, it enabled me to become the person I am today. I was able to get an education and contribute back to society as a teacher. I am not saying that same-sex couples cannot create that with their own children, but I believe that foundation of a mother and father in a family is key for the growth and success of children and helpful to cultivating a strong contributing society. Redefining marriage will create different images as to what marriage is, family values and what the family is. The family is central to everything. Distorted, confused images of the family can have negative results on society as many of those who testified on Monday said. Working with many high school students and knowing how their personal family situations look like, adding the redefinition of marriage will change their perspectives on what the family is, take away the important foundation of family and family values. This can be destructive for these children academically, socially and individually. There are many children in this situation, the same-sex couple children are not the only ones suffering. I understand that Hawai'i wants to change and move forward with society, change society, but is this something where marriage needs to be redefined? Something where our whole entire society must go with the trends? Why can't we just focus and perpetuate and preserve the values and foundations of "Ohana", family values we have instilled since ancient times. This is what helps our families and children. This is what builds bridges and relationships with our people in and outside of Hawai'i. With many challenges coming up ahead in Hawai'i's future, I feel we need to strengthen those values even more rather than change our society. Our state cannot afford to lose touch of those values, families and children that make up Hawai'i. These are the reasons why I am against this bill and as a citizen of Hawai'i and teacher, I humbly ask you to take my testimony take into consideration, let the people vote and vote NO against the Hawaii Marriage Equality Act, SB 1 bill Sincerely, Jaime Gusman 1452 Kinoole St. Hilo, HI 96720

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Kara Kuba	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To: The House Judiciary Committee The House Finance Committee Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Place: Capitol Auditorium Re: Strong Opposition to SB1 Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance: Hi, my name is Kara Kuba, I am 30 years old and have lived in Hawaii the majority of my life. I grew up on Maui. My parents are from Kaneohe and went to Castle High School. My great grandparents immigrated from Japan. My great grandmother was a picture bride. I think this is most likely similar to some of your family histories as well. Hawaii is such a unique place made up of many different cultures. Asian, Polynesian, European, blending together with the Hawaiian culture and traditions as a strong foundation, making it quite singular in the world. I really believe that this...specialness is at risk with the passing of SSM into law. That it's a slap in the face to those who strived before us to create a lasting legacy, a better life for those who came after. That we're saying "Out with the old, in with the new." and throwing their wisdom and works away just to say that we have "progressed". That we have "adapted". Hawaii and its culture will forever be changed. This is a point of no return. I don't understand the hurry. I don't understand why such an important and influential decision must be rushed especially when there are so many things that haven't been considered, that haven't been thought through. We are going into this with tunnel vision and I really believe we, the people of Hawaii, the residents, the kama'aina will pay for it. Will churches be penalized for teaching that homosexuality is a sin? Will the Bible be deemed discriminatory because it would now teach what is considered lawfully correct, as wrong? I'm asking you... I'm begging you to please reconsider. To please stall this, to give it more time. Hawaii is a one-of-a-kind place. It is our home. Please protect it. Please guard it. Thank you very much for your time and for your service to our state, Sincerely, Kara Kuba

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Subject: FW: Save traditional marriage (Written Only)

From: Katy Jenkins [<mailto:katyjenkins6@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 1:48 PM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: Save traditional marriage

My name is Katy and I am writing to ask the State of Hawaii not to pass the bill allowing same sex marriage in our state, but rather to continue to uphold the values of traditional marriage. Keeping marriage for one man and one woman will be key to having God's blessing on our state. I love every person who is homosexual, but it is not right, and should not be encouraged in our state. Thank you for your time in reading my request.

Katy Clements, 28
Kalaheo, Hawaii



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Allen Castro	Individual		No

Comments: Aloha Representatives, I support the passage of SB1. My partner, Danny Robinson, and I have been in a partnership for 38 years. The passage of this measure will allow us to enjoy the same rights and privileges as the rest of Hawaii's citizens, both on a State and Federal level. I urge you to do what is right and just and vote for equality. Mahalo, Allen Castro Hilo

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Allen Castro	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please pass SB 1.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Annette J Cromwell	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose the bill, for several reasons. I it is inmoral, second you can't say we have to do as you say. We the people voted 3 times not to allow same sex marriage, why are you fighting us?

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Kathy Pulotu	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill SB1. I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. I support equality for all including the rights of conscience and religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders. I am opposed to this issue being decided virtually in one week and ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session. This bill should be given due process during the regular session where it can properly be vetted and examined as all other bills. The people who elected you to serve as their voices should have a say in public policy that will forever change our culture, customs and traditions.

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Patricia Pouha	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Anthony Michael Kreis	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Donna Guan	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
L. Harbottle	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please oppose SB1 and keep marriage sacred. Support the people's choice to keep marriage between one man and one woman. Thank you!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Lehua Siasosi	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am AGAINST same-sex marriage. I am in support of traditional marriage, marriage between a man and a woman. Marriage has been a constant definition in the history of our country and the the history of the entire civilization of humanity. Are we being so hasty in being gender sensitive that we leave ourselves open to serious problems in the work place, with parental rights, children's rights, businesses and business owners, business liabilities, etc? This bill is being rushed and sneaky! I can ABSOLUTELY wait for the regular session. It WILL save money. Consider this! This bill is definitely one-sided in favor of same-sex couples. There are many unintended consequences that we are NOT adequately prepared for. Are we prepared to do away with the words: "mother and father" in public schools, educational institutions, public court hearings? The effects haven't been calculated... haven't been considered... the affects on parental rights, children's rights, benefits, wills and trusts, religious practices, business liabilities, rights of conscience, frivolous lawsuits, etc. If this law does pass, you must have broad protections or exemptions provided for religious institutions, businesses, educators, business owners, and others like found in other jurisdictions. May we please slow down and consider the repercussions that we're not really prepared for? Let's not open ourselves up to challenges and trials in this beautiful island state united under one sky. This land of Hawaii. Mahalo nui loa, Lehua Siasosi

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
stephen Blake	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I Stephen Blake solemnly proclaim that marriage between a man and a woman is ordained of God and that the family is central to the Creator's plan for the eternal destiny of His children. ALL HUMAN BEINGS—male and female—are created in the image of God. Each is a beloved spirit son or daughter of heavenly parents, and, as such, each has a divine nature and destiny. Gender is an essential characteristic of individual pre-mortal, mortal, and eternal identity and purpose. IN THE PRE-MORTAL REALM, spirit sons and daughters knew and worshipped God as our Eternal Father and accepted His plan by which His children could obtain a physical body and gain earthly experience to progress toward perfection and ultimately realize their divine destiny as heirs of eternal life. The divine plan of happiness enables family relationships to be perpetuated beyond the grave. Sacred ordinances and covenants make it possible for individuals to return to the presence of God and for families to be united eternally. THE FIRST COMMANDMENT that God gave to Adam and Eve pertained to their potential for parenthood as husband and wife. I declare that God's commandment for His children to multiply and replenish the earth remains in force. I further declare that God has commanded that the sacred powers of procreation are to be employed only between man and woman, lawfully wedded as husband and wife. I Stephen Blake, DECLARE the means by which mortal life is created to be divinely appointed. I affirm the sanctity of life and of its importance in God's eternal plan. HUSBAND AND WIFE have a solemn responsibility to love and care for each other and for their children. "Children are an heritage of the Lord" (Psalm 127:3). Parents have a sacred duty to rear their children in love and righteousness, to provide for their physical and spiritual needs, and to teach them to love and serve one another, observe the commandments of God, and be law-abiding citizens wherever they live. Husbands and wives—mothers and fathers—will be held accountable before God for the discharge of these obligations. THE FAMILY is ordained of God. Marriage between man and woman is essential to His eternal plan. Children are entitled to birth within the bonds of matrimony, and to be reared by a father and a mother who honor marital vows with complete fidelity. Happiness in family life is most likely to be achieved when founded upon the teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ. Successful marriages and families are established and maintained on principles of faith, prayer, repentance, forgiveness, respect, love, compassion, work, and wholesome recreational activities. By divine design, fathers are to preside over their families in love and righteousness and are responsible to provide the necessities of life and protection for their families. Mothers are primarily responsible for the nurture of their children. In these sacred responsibilities, fathers and mothers are obligated to help one another as equal partners. Disability, death, or other circumstances may necessitate individual adaptation. Extended families should lend support when needed. I WARN that individuals who violate covenants of chastity, who abuse spouse

or offspring, or who fail to fulfill family responsibilities will one day stand accountable before God. Further, I warn that the disintegration of the family will bring upon individuals, communities, and nations the calamities foretold by ancient and modern prophets. I CALL UPON responsible citizens and officers of government everywhere to promote those measures designed to maintain and strengthen the family as the fundamental unit of society.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Adelia Yahn	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Agnes Leilani Chow	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: i AM OPPOSED TO SB1 BECAUSE IT DOES NOT PROTECT THE RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS. THIS BILL IN THE FUTURE WILL EFFECT FAMILIES AND CHILDREN NEGATIVELY. THEREFORE I ASK THAT YOU VOTE IN OPPOSITION OF THIS BILL.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Maria Gellatly	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Jennifer Thatcher	Individual	Oppose	No

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Tatiana Wilson	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Randolph Sykes	The Interfaith Alliance Hawaii	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Veronica C Vallejos	Individual	Oppose	No

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Thomas Lapera	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Steve	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To: The House Judiciary Committee The House Finance Committee Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Place: Capitol Auditorium Re: Strong Opposition to SB1 Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance: I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill SB1. I pray that you will please allow the people of Hawaii to decide on the issue of marriage as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. I support equality for all including the rights of conscience and religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders. I agree with many of your fellow representatives that one week is not enough time for you to review all facts and sides of this very important issue that will affect us, our children and future generation morally and ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session. This bill should be given due process during the regular session where it can properly be examined as all other bills. We the people who elected you to serve as their voices should have a say in public policy that will forever destroy thousand of years of indigenous and non-native culture, customs and traditions. Your "yes" vote in special session is clearly a NO vote to democracy and to our Heavenly Father. Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Steve Miyataki Kailua, Hawaii

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
daniel	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Stephanie Darrow	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Clayton Lowe	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I ask you to please vote NO on this bill. Thank you for your support.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Jannai Pero	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Please consider the statistics that prove marriage between a man and a woman is best for children. Please vote for what is best for children, society and the future of our State and Nation.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Connie Nichols	Individual	Support	No

Comments: It's common sense for the state that promotes "Aloha" to extend this sentiment to all it's constituents, as well. Same sex marriage means two people love each other enough to make a lasting commitment. What better way to express Aloha? Please vote yes to support SB1. Aloha!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Heidi Aiwohi	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Jocelyn Fesolai	Individual	Oppose	No

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Athan Adachi	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
matt foster	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am writing to express my concern about the proposed legislation on same sex marriage. I feel passing such legislation will redefine the nature of marriage and change the strong family relationships that are essential to our society. I believe in equal rights for all members of society; however, I am strongly opposed to redefining marriage as a means to accomplish this goal. I believe that the redefinition of marriage as currently proposed will shift the discrimination felt by one group of society to another, in particular those people and organizations of faith. During the last session, legislature was passed on civil unions. Why is there an immediate push to move forward with same sex marriage when we have not even had the time to implement civil unions in our state? The state of Hawaii has already voted "No" on this topic in 1998. Please let the people vote on the topic of same sex marriage once again. If we the people are not allowed to vote on such a trivial issue, please consider including strong legislation that will exempt and protect those that will now face a newly created discrimination. Such an exemption should: 1. Protect religious organizations and officials from being required to support or perform same-sex marriages or from having to host same-sex marriages celebrations in their facilities. 2. Protect individuals and small businesses from being required to assist in promoting or celebrating same sex marriages. Sincerely, Matt Foster

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Whyley Yoshimura	Individual	Support	No

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Jeffrey T	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Landon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To Whom It May Concern, I am opposed to the SB1 measure. Redefining marriage opens up many unforeseen consequences. It undermines the sanctity of a marriage between one man and one woman and could further redefne our society as we know it. If this bill is to pass where "equality" is an issue, what about the equality of those who want to marry their pet? Their cousin? Their chair at home? Won't they want the "equality" that those who want to have same sex marriages? If this bill passes, where will it end with these "equality" claims? Many claim that that is a "scare tactic" but I believe otherwise. What if I love and I commit to more than one woman? Could I marry more than one woman? What about the "equality" of that? The claim is that a person should marry whoever they want to marry despite gender. But what if I want to marry MANY genders? Would one want the "equality" in that as well? Marriage was defined way before any religion or government came into play. It was not invented by a church or government. In fact, "the traditional view of marriage (as the life-long, faithful union of one man and one woman) pre-dates Christianity, and can be found in civilizations throughout history. The reason for this is simple: Couples have intercourse, intercourse makes babies, and babies need parents who stay together. Whereas a mother has no choice but to be present at the birth of her children, one of the historical purposes of marriage was to bind a father to his offspring publicly. Although that might not sound romantic, cultures have always known that the stability of every civilization depends upon the stability of its families. Thus, the institution of marriage has always been intrinsically ordered toward procreation and family life. In fact, the word "matrimony" literally means 'the duty of the mother.'" (chastityproject.com) I urge you to reconsider after hearing the voice of the people in letting the people decide in this democracy. Thank you for your time

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Shaun Niu	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Karen Miller	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To: The House Judiciary Committee The House Finance Committee Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Place: Capitol Auditorium Re: Strong Opposition to SB1 Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance: I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill SB1. I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. In 1998 the people of Hawaii voted against same-sex marriage. This attempt to reverse that decision in a rushed legislative session is undemocratic and underhanded. The people should be able to decide this most important social issue. I support equality for all including the rights of conscience and religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders. I am opposed to the most contentious social issue in our history being decided virtually in one week and ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session. This bill will have significant social, political and religious consequences for the people of Hawaii. The people should have the right to discuss, debate and decided on these critical issues before a fair and equitable decision can be made. This bill should be given due process during the regular session where it can properly be vetted and examined as all other bills. The people who elected you to serve as their voices should have a say in public policy that will forever obliterate thousand of years of indigenous and non-native culture, customs and traditions. Your "yes" vote in special session is clearly a NO vote to democracy! I trust that you will have the wisdom integrity to vote in support of the people who elected you. Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Karen Miller Laie, Hawaii

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Karen Miller	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To: The House Judiciary Committee The House Finance Committee Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Place: Capitol Auditorium Re: Strong Opposition to SB1 Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance: I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill SB1. I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. In 1998 the people of Hawaii voted against same-sex marriage. This attempt to reverse that decision in a rushed legislative session is undemocratic and underhanded. The people should be able to decide this most important social issue. I support equality for all including the rights of conscience and religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders. I am opposed to the most contentious social issue in our history being decided virtually in one week and ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session. This bill will have significant social, political and religious consequences for the people of Hawaii. The people should have the right to discuss, debate and decided on these critical issues before a fair and equitable decision can be made. This bill should be given due process during the regular session where it can properly be vetted and examined as all other bills. The people who elected you to serve as their voices should have a say in public policy that will forever obliterate thousand of years of indigenous and non-native culture, customs and traditions. Your "yes" vote in special session is clearly a NO vote to democracy! I trust that you will have the wisdom integrity to vote in support of the people who elected you. Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Karen Miller Laie, Hawaii

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
sandra malandra	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please vote NO against SB1. Thank you.

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Wendi Sanchez	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Submitting testimony AGAINST SB1.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Ivan Tolentino	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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SB1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Christine	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Dear Representatives, Aloha. Two weeks ago I wrote about to express my opposition to the Same Sex Marriage bill that has been proposed by the Governor. I would like to request that this be taken up by a vote to the people of Hawaii and discussed in a regular session and not a special session where there is not adequate time to go through the implications that this bill contains. Something this serious needs adequate time from all sectors. I also understand after reading the bill, that there are some very basic inadequacies of this bill. There is much that can be added to the current civil unions, and this is also not noted. Since then, we watched the testimonies on tv for 2.5 hours (groups end of 10-14). The testimonies were overwhelmingly against. There were only 4 in 2 hours that were for SB1, and none of them were from Hawaii. (born or raised). The rest stated over and over again that they were born here or they were Native Hawaiian, as well as those who had move here were opposed. Over and over again, the testimonies stated that this was against the culture, against their beliefs, against the land. As well, there were several testimonies from medical doctors, social workers, and educators with their concerns, all against SB1. In spite of this, the committee voted to pass the bill rather than put it into a full session (January) or stop it all together. This says that they voted their own ideas rather than what the people were voicing. This was very disappointing. How can they say they rightly represent the people when they do not represent what they have said??? I am writing again today to ask that you vote No on SB1, when it comes to a full vote. Much of what is being asked for is already in Civil Unions and whatever else can go there. Marriage does not need to be redefined. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Thank you again for your service to the people of Hawaii. Christine Colby 96740

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Diane	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Elizabeth Slade	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose SB1 and I wish that our government would listen to the voices that are making themselves heard. You are the voice of the people. MAJORITY votes are how you came into office, not the minority of votes. You should listen to the majority

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
brad	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am opposed to same sex marriage. Why does our religious values as a nation have to be diluted. What is unpopular about traditional marriage. Marriage is natural. To create sustainability. They are wrong to think they can stand on the same importance to society. I have friends and family who are gay. Why can't they have same sex unions. Without traditional marriage it promotes human simplicity of sustaining. Survival of our very existence. There is a huge difference of long term mere survival, between the two. What next plural marriage. Test tube babies. Segregate mothers this huge wolf is hiding in plain site of us. But same sex marriage is the beginning of avalanche. NO NO NO...

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To: House Committee on Judiciary and Finance
Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m.
Place: Capitol Auditorium
Re: Strong Support of SB1, Relating to Equal Rights

Dear House Committee Chairs:

I am writing in strong support of SB 1.

In 2005, my partner and I met at Rutgers University in New Jersey. Nearly nine years later, we now call Ewa Beach, Hawaii our permanent home and look forward to the opportunity to legally wed in the Aloha State.

James and I are no different than our legally married heterosexual neighbors – we treat others with care and respect, we follow the law, we pay our taxes, and we work in our community (I'm in my 7th year as a teacher at Ilima Intermediate School in Ewa Beach).

In 2014, we plan to begin the process to adopt our first child. Despite obtaining our Hawaii Civil Union on January 20th, 2012, we made the decision to wait until true marriage equality became law because we wanted our children to know that our family was fully protected under the law and no different than any other family.

With the recent Supreme Court decision striking down Section 3 of the Defense of Marriage Act, the time is now for you, the Hawaii legislature, to clear the way for committed same-sex couples in Hawaii to access the more than 1,100 federal benefits that marriage, and only marriage, provides.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Brian Lynch
Ewa Beach, HI

To: Chair Karl Rhoads, Judiciary Committee and Chair Sylvia Luke, Finance Committee

Hearing Date & Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013 at 10 am

Hearing Location: Hawaii State Capitol

Re: Strong Opposition to SB1, Relating to Equal Rights

From:

Jerome Karalulu Sr.

City, State:

Ewa Beach HI

**TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SPECIAL SESSION
AND SB1, RELATING TO "EQUAL RIGHTS"
Also known as the same sex "marriage" bill**

Dear Chair Rhoads and Chair Luke:

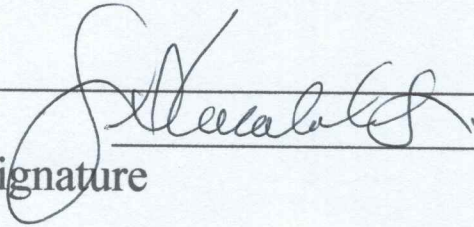
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I oppose this bill because it will infringe upon our freedoms protected under the First Amendment and will have far reaching consequences that nobody seems to be discussing.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify against this Special Session and against this bill, SB1.



Signature

Date 10-30-13

808.685.5906

Jbkohana@hawaii.rr.com
Email

Phone number

To: Chair Karl Rhoads, Judiciary Committee and Chair Sylvia Luke, Finance Committee

Hearing Date & Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013 at 10 am

Hearing Location: Hawaii State Capitol

Re: Strong Opposition to SB1, Relating to Equal Rights

From:

Bernadette L. Kanakula

City, State:

Ewa Beach Hi.

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Burrodete L. Kerejula

Signature

Date 10.30.2013

Jbkohana@hawaii.rr.com

808.685.5906

Email

Phone number

October 30, 2013

Dear Lawmakers,

I am writing to support the marriage equality bill, SB1. As a member of the LGBT community and a mental health professional, I have a deep understanding of the impact of homophobia and discrimination on LGBT individuals, especially teens that may be questioning. I am sure you are well aware of the higher suicide rates for LGBT and questioning youth and I suggest this is due in part to society's marginalization and discrimination. By passing marriage equality in the state of Hawai'i, you are further normalizing an experience that so many of us have: being LGBT. By recognizing the validity of LGBT relationships, you are making it easier for that questioning youth to choose life rather than potentially inflicting self harm or taking his or her own life. Marriage equality will give these youth a vision for their future where they can enjoy the benefits of a well-rounded life: meaningful relationships, an abundant family, and a supportive community. I STRONGLY URGE you to PASS SB1, providing legal recognition for same-sex couples and spreading the true *aloha* spirit.

Mahalo!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jason Mallonee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jason Mallonee

To: Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Hearing Date/Time: Thurs, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m.
Place:Capitol Auditorium
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James Urbaniak
Ewa Beach, HI

To: Karl Rhoads, Chair Sylvia Luke, Chair House Judiciary Committee House Finance Committee
Re: TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1 RELATING TO EQUALITY
Dear Honorable Chairs Rhoads and Luke and Members of the House Judiciary and Finance Committees:



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[“Johnny Rock Piano”](#)

Johnny Rock Piano: “I Expect being Sued Twice if Gay Marriage is law.”

Saturday, October 26, 2013

I am a pianist on Oahu, Hawaii who has a passion for music. There was a time, after a car accident years ago, that piano & music was all I could do; it became my therapy and became life-giving not just for me, but for all who listened. Even my supervisor, after listening while eating lunch at the cafeteria, later encouraged students to go, listen & relax- to relieve stress. There was much stress as they were interns in Loma Linda University’s Ph.D. clinical psychology program, many seeing clients for the first time.

I never finished the Ph.D. due to his disabling TBI (traumatic brain injury), instead obtaining a 2nd psychology masters degree, and eventually opening private practice in Honolulu. My clients are usually individuals in relationships and with families; after individual therapy, we may at times convert to marital therapy. My concern stems from the record of lawsuits in other states where business owners with religious convictions, have been sued for not recognizing a same-sex couple as being ‘married’ (click links of a Washington state florist’s experiences of being sued by the attorney general and countersuing: a) http://seattletimes.com/html/localnews/2020743969_floristlawsuitxml.html b) <http://blog.seattlepi.com/seattlepolitics/2013/04/09/ag-sues-florist-who-refused-flowers-to-gay-wedding/> c) http://seattletimes.com/html/localnews/2021001123_apwagayweddinglawsuit2ndldwritethru.html d) <http://www.king5.com/news/local/Richland-florist-sues-state-207743671.html>).

Last year, an individual called me, asking if I could see her for gender conversion therapy. Since I know no referrals for such therapy, I referred her to call the administrators of counseling associations. But if someone called me asking for marital therapy, and I refuse to see a same-sex ‘married’ couple, then the same as what happened to the Florist, will happen to me. ‘Conform or be sued;’ Governor Abercrombie is intending this bill to withstand a Supreme Court challenge. In my profession this is called , ‘bullying into submission.’ However, as a business owner, I am in double jeopardy because I play piano for events; if a same-sex couple asked me to be a pianist for their wedding reception, and I refuse, I will be twice sued, as the wedding florist. This ‘bullying’ is inappropriate in a country built on the very foundation of ‘freedom of religion;’ I am only practicing my religious convictions, held by my ancestors for the past 400 years, and I will be doubly sued, because of imposition of a ‘world view’ on all of the rest of us. Thank you for listening.

Sincerely,

“Johnny Rock Piano” John Roco

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Gabrielle Savage	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: SB1 is dangerously flawed, unconstitutional and opens a slippery legal slope to a massive reinterpretation of the definition of marriage that only benefits special interest groups and divorce lawyers. A law with such profound magnitude should be voted on by the entire State population, not passed by a few legislatures who are not listening to their constituents but promoting their own personal agendas. We urge Hawaii's legislators to vote against this bill.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
bronson matsuoka	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha, My name is Bronson Matsuoka. I was Born and raised in Honolulu Hawaii. I now reside in Kaneohe with my wife and two children. I oppose this bill for marriage between gays and lesbians due to the fact that It is unethical. Someone's lifestyle choice should not be forced on the people of Hawaii or for any other state that this marriage wants to be recognized in. I'm just your typical local boy that doesn't really think much of politics I live a normal life work and take care of my family. For something political like this to really affect me is very unusual. When my childrens education and understanding of what a traditional marriage means and my normal way of life, beliefs and freedom to reject or speak out on certain subjects are threatened to be changed, this woke me up. I humbly ask for your consideration to not change traditional marriage in Hawaii. Yes this will bring business to Hawaii and help tourism but it will hurt other aspects of our Hawaiian lifestyle due to the fact that there will be more people from all over the world cramming into one of 13 states that are legalizing gay marriage. And only in these states the marriage will be recognized. I mean Who wouldn't want to come to paradise and marry the person they love. I believe that there will a division between people in the aloha state and once the damage is done it won't be able to be undone. The faith the people have in politics will be slim to none. Race and gender is a choice and a right because you were born with it. Being gay or lesbian is a choice not a DNA thing. Be smart let the people vote.... E'ala'e rise up rise up!!!!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Donald Moore Jr.	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I learned about the special session the Governor is planning to have to make same sex marriage the Law in the State of Hawaii. When the people of Hawaii had the chance to vote on this issue they choose to permit the legislature versus the court make a decision on same sex marriage that is in concert with their wishes to leave Marriage unchanged. The Governors request for a special session to determine same sex may be in keeping with the law, however it does permit every person who wishes to be heard by vote to weigh in. This is a matter that should be decided by the people of the state and not by a close door meeting. I hope that if you are given the opportunity speak on this issue that you will do one of two things. 1. Allow the people of hawaii to decide in a special vote conducted in the state of Hawaii as soon as practical on same sex marriage. Or 2. Allow the previous vote of the people stand unaltered. A person should be able to choose what happens with the benefits they earn from employment, what happens to their possession, and who may speak for them on medical issue, however it should not have been addressed as a issue of marriage. The supreme court missed an opportunity to grant all people equal protection under the law by tying a benefits issue to an issue of redefining marriage to provide benefits. When it was put to a vote the majority of the people choose not allow the courts to have the decision on same sex marriage. The legislature must correct the benefits problem with language added to the civil unions law, without creating a law that redefines marriage. Rule in keeping with what the majority of the citizens of the state Expresses. SB1 does mention a religious exemption, however it places the religious community with permitting same sex marriages to occur in their facility if they have charge other public activities for it's use. It is my hope the the house will alter the language of the bill to reflect the will of the people. Please stand with what all the people of Hawaii have decided, or allow us to vote again. Sincerely, Donald Moore Jr. Ewa Beach, Hawaii 96706

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Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 5:02 PM
To: House Special Session
Subject: FW: Opposed to SB1-same sex marriage (Written Only)
Attachments: Video: What Gay Marriage did to Massachusetts □ Hawaii Free Press

From: Cinnie Frith [<mailto:cfrith@fbsmgt.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 10:15 AM
To: Judiciary Special Session
Subject: Opposed to SB1-same sex marriage

Aloha, and with great appreciation I request that you consider the other side of legally approving/passing legislation that would define "traditional marriage" as any other than the union between a man and a woman.

On the surface, this issue seems to be quite simple-we should all have the ability to choose our life partners-but some of the more unintended consequences of such action can and have already started to erode the very fabric of a committed family unit.

I fully realize that financial and emotional needs are not equally met with civil unions alone. If this is your desire, as it is mine, then each "unequal" area should be thoroughly vetted and altered accordingly.

Throwing the baby out with the bath water, so to speak, is an unacceptable and foolhardy path to follow. Please note the attached video describing what has happened in Boston with the enactment of same sex marriage. It is hardly a change for the better, and, in my opinion, avoidable.

Mahalo for your time-
Cinnie Frith
42-128 Kooku Place
Kailua, HI-96734

October 2013

Aloha,

I wanted to let the State Legislature know that I am against the proposed same-sex marriage legislation in Hawai'i.

I believe the protection offered in the current draft is completely inadequate to safeguard constitutionally guaranteed religious freedoms. Traditional marriage and religious liberty are among the most cherished and vital elements of our society, and both deserve careful protection especially in Hawai'i!

I believe we all have a right to personal beliefs and live by those beliefs. I feel strongly against forcing others to accept one's own personal beliefs especially religious beliefs, values, and morals.

I am born and raised in Hawai'i. I have voted since I turned 18 years old. When I was away for college or traveling during an election I made sure I completed an absentee ballot. I believe in showing Aloha and respect to all. I also believe that I have a right to have my personal and religious rights protected especially my right as a parent to raise my children in my values and morals that I feel will make them good citizens in the nation, community, neighborhood and in their own families.

I am watching this special legislation and the outcome will impact how I will vote in the next election.

Mahalo for your time.

D Nautu

To: The House Judiciary Committee
The House Finance Committee
Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m.
Place: Capitol Auditorium
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Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Moriah Beaver
Hauula, Hawaii

Dear House Representatives,

My name is Peniette AhPuck and **I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB1 Bill.**

The purpose of this e-mail is to ask you to please let the people of Hawaii vote on this very important matter. We should have the right to make this decision by placing a constitutional amendment on the ballot next year that we may vote and make the voice of the general public known regarding this decree that will affect the entire state. I am very disappointed that our government would circumvent our democratic process.

As you review and contemplate the decision to vote on the legislature proposed, I want you to know that **I do not support same-sex “marriage”**. More so I do not support the fact that our legislature is making this decision for us. This is my voice, **PLEASE LET THE PEOPLE DECIDE**; this would be the correct thing to do.

Mahalo,

Peniette AhPuck

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Laie, Hi 96762



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Danny Robinson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Representative, I am writing in support of SB 1 and urge you to vote in favor of this measure. My partner, Allen Castro, and I have been in a committed relationship for 38 years. We believe it is time for us to be granted the same Hawaii State and U.S. Federal rights as other citizens. Please vote for SB 1. Mahalo, Danny Robinson Hilo

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Karl Rhoads, Chair
House Judiciary Committee

Sylvia Luke, Chair
House Finance Committee

Re: TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 1 RELATING TO EQUALITY

Dear Honorable Chair Rhoads and Luke and Members of the House Judiciary and Finance Committees:

I feel that it is a grievous oversight to assume that each of your votes represent the Majority of the people of Hawaii concerning the legalization of Same Sex Marriage.

I think the best way to determine the majority is a vote on the issue.

I also request that Budget Chair Kim provide insight as to whether the taxpayers of Hawaii can afford the legislation at hand.

First reason: Your votes WILL NOT REPRESENT a true majority of the constituents in your community AND THE STATE!

In 2012 US Census reported the following:

- That there were 1,392,313 Hawaii residents.
- 303,524 (or 21.8%) were under 18 years of age. This means that 1,088,789 people were eligible to vote.

I compared the data from the US Census report and to the Hawaii Elections report.

- In 2012 only 290,695 people turned out to vote.
- That = 26% of our population.

Chair Hee in the 2012 election, you won with 4,252 votes in your district. However, your district according to the US Census had 27,400 eligible voters. Which means that your win represents only 16% of the voice of your community.

In the 2010 election, Governor Abercrombie won with 142,304 votes.

- According to the US census at the time was 1,063,755 people were eligible to vote.
- His win, therefore only represents 14% of the voice of our great state of Hawaii.

It is interesting to me that ALL people must pay taxes! It is illegal not to do so. However, when it comes to voting it is not illegal not to vote. It should be when the elected officials do represent so very little of the overall population. Why doesn't the Govt care whether or not people vote. They should, because Government represents ALL OF ITS PEOPLE.

I do ask that based on the US Census and Elections office reports (which I am attaching for your review), you recognize that your vote WILL NOT BE a true representation of what the MAJORITY of the public desires for their State.

Second reason: Voting provides safety for people on both sides of the view and is the best solution to prevent tyranny or retribution for either one's beliefs.

My father came to Hawaii a Filipino immigrant to work on the plantation. When I was very young, my father would take me with him to the voting polls. He would take a bath, get dressed and go vote. He'd seem anxious until it was all over. I remember asking him as he was walking out of the polls "daddy who did you vote for?" He would "shsh" me and I would get the hint. It was and is always so quiet at the polls. When we got in the car. I asked him again "daddy who did you vote for?" He replied "don't ask that! Its private!" When I got older he explained that in the PI voting was not protected like it was here. Here he felt safe to vote and free from the prejudice of others.

Making this issue public places tyranny in the hands of radicals who have in the past and present abused "freedom of speech" and molested their opposition with cruel and unfair "protest" to gain their ends.

I urge you not to allow our State to be the canvas to such heinously uncivil systems.

THE VOTE provides protection for the people and their freedom to think and feel as they choose. I concur with Abraham Lincoln who said it well in his Gettysburg Address “that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.”

Third reason: Are you able to provide taxpayers with the cost of this legislation? How will the passing of this bill affect our costs on social issues? Will it increase or decrease the costs of education, domestic violence, healthcare, legal aid, public safety? If so, how much and how do you propose we add it to our budget?

Do you remember the Superferry? A wonderful form of transportation I thought. But, it was shut down because it failed to provide an Environmental Impact Statement or EIS. What about rail? Remember the Vans which took pictures of speeders unbeknownst to them? ALL OF THESE WERE IMPLEMENTED BY GOVERNMENT AND WASTED MILLIONS OF TAXPAYERS DOLLARS.

Every piece of legislation that is passed costs taxpayers money. Have you looked well into the financial responsibility the state will undertake with the passage of this bill? Have you considered the cost?

Recently our elected officials in Washington shut down the government because of budget concerns. Let us learn from their mistake. Do your due diligence on this matter by reviewing the costs incurred by other states who have passed such legislation. ***Protect taxpayer’s dollars and research as to the viability and or costs of such legislation passing using concrete examples from other states.***

As our elected officials, I urge you to consider the data provided by the US Census and the Hawaii Elections Office. By this, it is cannot be unclear that your votes WILL NOT represent the Majority of Hawaii people. Therefore I feel the only way to resolve the issue at hand is to allow the public to vote. Further, Taxpayers deserve to know how much this legislation will cost them. I ask that you provide these costs to us.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rose M.Y. Wood
87-242 Holopono St.
Waianae, HI 96792

Dear Legislators,

I am opposed to the same sex marriage bill. I believe the public voted on this years ago when there was a big grassroots movement to stop the same type of bill. Marriage is sanctified by God as a union between a man and a woman. You, the legislators, can succumb to the pressures of a few outspoken individuals but ultimately your decision does not change the divine definition. These are the things that were predicted would come as the world became more unto itself. Please, please, civil union is enough. You can fight that federal rights will be given to civil union couples. Fight for equality under that law. Especially, do not make churches subject to this law that would require/demand that churches perform same sex marriages even if its against our religion. What about our rights? The scriptures spoke of this time:

2Timothy 3

1 This know also, that in the ^alast days perilous ^btimes shall come.

2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, ^acovetous, boasters, ^bproud, blasphemers, ^cdisobedient to parents, ^aunthankful, unholy,

3 Without ^anatural ^baffection, ^ctrucebreakers, ^dfalse accusers, ^eincontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

4 ^aTraitors, ^bheady, ^chighminded, lovers of ^dpleasures more than lovers of God;

5 Having a ^aform of godliness, but ^bdenying the power thereof: from such turn away.

You should of let us vote. Stop taking away our rights!!!

"Now it is not common that the voice of the people desireth anything contrary to that which is right; but it is common for the lesser part of the people to desire that which is not right; therefore this shall ye observe and make it your law-to do your business by the voice of the people.

And if the time comes that the voice of the people doth choose iniquity, then is the time that the judgments of God will come upon you; yea, then is the time he will visit you with great destruction even as he has hitherto visited this land."

(Mosiah 29:26-27)

To: House of Representatives, State of Hawaii

Re: Testimonial for SB-1 - Marriage Equality

My Position: **OPPOSE**

Date: October 30, 2013

My name is Marguerite (Lani) Poepoe. I am a registered voter in the State of Hawaii and I am submitting my written testimony in OPPOSITION to the SB-1 Bill which supports Marriage Equality.

I am a single Mother of 4 children and am currently raising my youngest child alone who is 7 years old, attending the 2nd Grade. I have multiple reasons for my opposition to the passing of SB-1 to legalize same-sex marriage in Hawaii:

- 1) I am a Christian, a believer in our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ and the sound doctrine of the Holy Bible. Whether an individual is a believer or not, GOD instituted Marriage between One Man & One Woman from the beginning of the human race with Adam and Eve for reasons of 1) to pro-create and, 2) it's a gift given to this union of a man & a woman to demonstrate their intimate expression of love, one to another within the boundaries of matrimony. The anatomy of the human body was created specifically for this purpose; you don't have to be a rocket scientist to recognize this fact. GOD created the animals as well to pro-create; a male & a female animal to further each species, continuing the population so that the human race would have food to consume and to assist with their work in fields.
- 2) My 7 year old son attends public school and I disagree with this "chosen" way of life being forced on my child's education. I monitor all of my son's viewing options and teach him values and morals of living within the guidelines of the Holy Scriptures, Love and Respect. I do my best to prevent my child from viewing violence and sex. I have never spoken to him about sex or about intimate relationships because he is a child and doesn't need to know these things. I, mistakenly, had the news on one morning and walked away from the Television to wake my son up for school. As he was getting ready, he saw the news clip of the 1st marriage ceremony that took place in New Jersey where both parties being male kissed each other and the words out of my son's mouth was, "*e-ull, that's disgusting! Mom why is there 2 bald mans kissing? That's so gross!*" Then, I realized that I forgot to change the channel to PBS for his viewing. Since then, my son has been so completely disturbed about it and was thinking that if this Bill passes, he would have to do the same thing. HE IS A CHILD!!! I believe a child will believe whatever he is taught or influenced by. I have done the same with my other children, influencing them to live by moral qualities. Teaching them what is good & true and have not discussed anything else unless they brought it up for discussion. My children are wonderful citizens of good character, loving everyone despite differences.
- 3) *I am about to share a part of my life that no one knows. But, because I am so strongly against this SB-1 Bill from passing into law, I will openly share it now:* When I was a child, age 5, being the youngest amongst my cousins visiting at Grandma's house, something we did as a family often. My older cousins, both male & female, invited me to come under a tent with them to play. I didn't realize that they were going to "make out". In fact, I didn't even know what that meant except for their behavior. At that moment, a female cousin, about 3 or 4 years older than me, said, "I take Lani". Before I knew it, she was on me and began to kiss me. I was so frightened but more afraid to stop her because she looked and acted like a rough boy. I was just so afraid and ashamed to tell anyone, especially my parents. For one reason, it felt good. But, in my small mind, I knew that this was not right. As time passed and this activity continued, I was being chosen by this same female cousin, though I was discovering an

attraction to my male cousin, I was too young & afraid to speak up. This time in my very young life severely tainted my mind so much so that, while growing up, although I was attracted to “boys”, I also thought of and imagined being intimate with females. This forced childhood act was now the demon in my life, in my thoughts, in my eyes, in my dreams, in my closet. I felt so disgusted about myself on the inside because I hated these thoughts but portrayed a different picture on the outside, taking a lot out of me. I was mentally and emotionally tormented into my adult-life even while married to my husband and a mother to my first child. I was always so ashamed of my thoughts that I began to “get high”. It wasn’t until I was in my late 20’s that I was set free from this demon who had tormented me since I was 5 years old. I found my Savior & Lord, Jesus Christ, and HE delivered me from this lie of homosexuality. Since then, I longer have these thoughts, desires, or dreams.

My conclusion is that I could have made the “choice” to be a lesbian by the influence and teaching of my lesbian cousin, who has remained as such all of her life and is a drug-addict & alcoholic, living a miserable life today, but **THAT WAS NOT WHO GOD CREATED ME TO BE.** HE did not create any of us to live this way. HE created us Male & Female to live as such, one with another in Holy Matrimony. The Word of GOD states that homosexuality is an abomination and anyone who lives this lifestyle shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. GOD did not create the homosexual lifestyle, people did through the temptation and plans of Satan, who comes to steal, kill, and destroy. I **WILL NOT ALLOW** my son to be taught that this lifestyle is acceptable because it is not! I don’t want what happened to me as a child to happen to my son, or my grandchildren, and generations to come. This is the choice by a way of “feelings” that the homosexual community has chosen to live **BUT IT IS NOT THE CHOICE OF ALL!** If the homosexual community wants to live this way, then let them but it does not have to be made a **LAW** for all to accept. They want monetary benefits for which they believe they are entitled to but this kind of “unity” is not reality based on **TRUTH**, therefore, it is not real. They are mimicking what GOD has ordained **HOLY**, and are expecting to be treated in the same regard... **NOT SO!** This is not a Holy Marriage, therefore, it does not exist! This unity is not equal and does not deserve to be regarded as such.

Thank you with all sincerity for allowing me to share my testimony.

Marguerite (Lani) Poepoe
Email: lani.poepoe@gmail.com

Wendy Duffin
30 October 2013

SB1: Personal Statement and Testimony

My name is Wendy Duffin, and I wanted to personally submit my testimony in regards to SB1. I am strongly in opposition to SB1 as it circumvents the democratic process. Upon reading Governor Abercrombie's rationales for calling a special session to address this issue, there appears to be no compelling reason to call a special session for marriage equality. There are many issues that the state of Hawaii should address, but I see no reason why this issue takes special precedence over other issues, other than it serves the special interests for some of the state legislators and the governor.

Like many others who oppose SB1, the main issue I take with it is that it is an intensely sensitive issue for people on both sides of the issue, and that is precisely why it should not be pushed through the legislature in only five days. Five days barely gives legislatures and other invested parties the time needed to read the bill and assess for its soundness.

Additionally, by putting this sensitive issue to vote solely amongst the state legislature, it prevents the voice of the people to be truly heard. This is precisely the type of issue that should be voted on by the people of the state of Hawaii; limiting the people's right to vote is limiting their right to be heard, which by definition is not democracy.

At this point in the process, the issue at hand is less about offering equal marriage rights as it is about limiting our rights to practice democracy. Please consider this stance as you vote, and please think about what would allow your respective constituencies to have a voice. Thank you.

October 30, 2013

Aloha,

I am writing to testify in opposition to SB1 Relating to Equal Rights.

While I appreciate the desire and opinions of those who feel strongly toward this bill, I would ask you to consider the following as you make your final decision to support or oppose this bill.

First, it has been reported in the news media that Senator Hee said, "the Senate took into account the concerns expressed by the religious community and gay advocates and tried to 'strike a balance between the two competing interests'" (<http://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/story/23763284/same-sex-marriage-bill-officially-filed-first-public-hearing-scheduled>). It seems reasonable, that if they drafters of this bill truly want to "strike a balance between two competing interests" they would bring together the two competing interests to dialogue on the issue. At the very least, they would have spoken with clearly recognized representatives from both interests. To the best of my knowledge, this has not taken place. That being the case, I'm not sure how this bill could strike the needed balance.

Many leading voices in the religious community have already spoken out their concerns of the possible impact this bill would have on our constitutional right of keeping government from establishing laws which impede the free exercise of religion. Their concern is shared by a large majority (if the testimony submitted for the just completed Senate hearing is any indication) of the citizens of Hawaii.

Second, while the majority may not always be right, a 60-40 split against the bill should cause our esteemed Representatives and Senators to at least postpone a decision on this bill to a regular session when more time can be given to consider the overwhelming amount of testimony submitted.

Finally, should you consider opposing the bill as originally presented (and I believe you should for the reasons stated above), then I would urge you to vote against the bill instead of amending it. Representative Souki stated (in the article referenced above) that the crafters of this bill have been working on this for "the past year." If, after working on this bill for the past year, the drafters could not write a bill without serious concerns, I don't see how an amendment written in a few days could be passed with great confidence.

Thank you for your consideration of these points as you cast your vote on this very important issue.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
susan	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please pass SB1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Dawn Keliikuli	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Let the people Vote! Please don't make this choice for me, I'm sure you saw how many people were there at the Capital Monday that is opposing SB1 and not letting us use our American right to vote!!!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Tim Holcombe	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To: The House Judiciary Committee The House Finance Committee Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Place: Capitol Auditorium Re: Strong Opposition to SB1 Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance: I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill SB1. I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. I support equality for all including the rights of conscience and religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders. I am opposed to the most contentious social issue in our history being decided virtually in one week and ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session. This bill should be given due process during the regular session where it can properly be vetted and examined as all other bills. The people who elected you to serve as their voices should have a say in public policy that will forever obliterate thousand of years of indigenous and non-native culture, customs and traditions. Your "yes" vote in special session is clearly a NO vote to democracy! Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Tim Holcombe Kalaheo, Hi

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Jeffrey T	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Uiti I Siaosi Jr	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am AGAINST same-sex marriage. I am in support of traditional marriage, marriage between a man and a woman. In my family I have gay family members whom I love and support, but in this situation we cannot change the definition of marriage. Marriage has been defined a specific way in the history of our country and the the history of humanity. Are we being so hasty in being gender sensitive that we leave ourselves open to serious problems in the work place, with parental rights, children's rights, businesses and business owners, business liabilities, etc? Being gay is a choice. Marriage is divinely appointed! This bill is being rushed and sneaky! I can ABSOLUTELY wait for the regular session. It WILL save money. Consider this! This bill is definitely one-sided in favor of same-sex couples. There are many unintended consequences that we are NOT adequately prepared for. Are we prepared to do away with the words: "mother and father" in public schools, educational institutions, public court hearings? The effects haven't been calculated... haven't been considered... the affects on parental rights, children's rights, benefits, wills and trusts, religious practices, business liabilities, rights of conscience, frivolous lawsuits, etc. If this law does pass, you must have broad protections or exemptions provided for religious institutions, businesses, educators, business owners, and others like found in other jurisdictions. May we please slow down and consider the reprecussions that we're not really prepared for? Let's not open ourselves up to challenges and trials in this beautiful island state united under one sky. This land of Hawaii. Thank you very much, Uiti Ieru Siaosi Jr.

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To: The House Judiciary Committee
The House Finance Committee
Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m.
Place: Capitol Auditorium
Re: Strong Opposition to SB1

Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on
Judiciary and Finance:

I am writing to voice my opposition to Bill SB1.

I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage, as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. Let the people vote on this issue. Let our voice be heard. I support equality for all including the rights of conscience and religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders. Our churches will be deeply affected by this bill if it is passed; the churches are not protected as we are being led to believe. The wording is too limited and does not secure how a church can protect themselves and exercise their religious freedoms.

I am opposed to the most contentious social issue in our history being decided virtually in one week and ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session. This issue is too important to be decided in such a short time.

This bill should be given due process during the regular session where it can properly be vetted and examined as all other bills. There is no valid reason why this cannot wait until the regular session; this is not an emergency situation. The people who elected you to serve as their voices should have a say in public policy that will forever obliterate thousand of years of indigenous and non-native culture, customs and traditions. Your "yes" vote in special session is clearly a NO vote to democracy!

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Danielle Merryman
Honolulu, HI 96818

TO: Hawaii State Legislature

FROM: Michael Ganoot, J.D. Candidate, Class of 2016

DATE: October 30, 2013

RE: Senate Bill 1 – Same Sex Marriage

My name is Michael Ganoot. I was born and raised in Waipahu, HI and have lived there up until this past August when I moved to New Jersey to pursue a law degree. I have been openly gay for the past seven years or so after many years of struggling with my identity and even now, I find it hard being constantly judged by everyone for who I am. I would like to submit my testimony on this very significant bill that will change Hawaii for the better.

First, I'd like to give my opinion on the opposition's assertion of the bill's infringement on their Freedom of Religion. The Freedom of Religion, as you know, is a right that guarantees the practice of one's own religion without fear of interference or pressure of another's religion onto him. It is a dual responsibility freedom. Others do not have the right to infringe upon one's own practices, but the individual also is not allowed to bludgeon their beliefs into the practice's of others. This allows for a particular bubble of protection within the private sphere of practice, however, when taken into the public sphere of government, the government must be neutral without imposing any particular religion's set of beliefs onto the populous. However, to deny same-sex marriage, would be endorsing a radical Christian belief system and imposing it on those that practice behaviors that are in conflict with that belief system. This endorsement would be an infringement on my right to be free of religious beliefs imposed on me from the government. You might be wondering though on what moral standard should laws be structured if not for the religious standards. I am not saying that religious standards cannot be used at all or used as inspiration. There are certain standards that should be retained from the religious standard because it makes sense in a civil, orderly society and must be there for the maintenance of a peaceful society (such as laws against murder, theft, physical harm). However, those standards must be scrutinized further than being accepted within a particular religion. They must be scrutinized against biased assumptions and whether those assumptions are

warranted. And in this case, the assumption that marriage is only legitimate between a man and a woman is both antiquated and wholly discriminatory.

The religious view that a marriage must be between a man and a woman due to the natural purpose of procreation is one that is misconceived. First, the institution of marriage is not a natural construct, but rather a human construct. It is a legal institution with particular purposes embedded in the idea of both procreation and stability. However, when one weighs those two particular purposes, it is easy to see that the institution of marriage is based more so on the factor of stability rather than the factor of procreation. If marriage were primarily based on the idea of procreation, women over the age of menopause and infertile persons wouldn't be allowed to marry, couples that conceive would be required to marry, anyone of sexual maturity would be allowed to marry and couples that are no longer capable of birthing children would be required to divorce. Thus, in actuality, the main purpose, and arguably the only purpose, is for stability. To assume that stability in a household is not possible due to same sex parents is an unfounded assumption because the same statement could be made of many opposite sex parents. Stability of the household is not based on the gender of the parents but rather on the maturity of the parents to actually BE parents. This fear that children will be mentally and emotionally confused and stunted can only be explained if one bases their assumptions in the misguided criteria of what constitutes a great parent. Thus there is no logical argument for why marriage should specifically be based on the criteria of procreation.

Second, a greater argument could be made today that a denial of same sex marriage is a violation of the LGBT community's 14th Amendment equal protection and due process. It is true, that the Supreme Court has not recognized the LGBT community as a protected class as that of religion, race and sex. However, there are statutes that lean towards a protection based on the classification of sexual orientation, such as that which classifies physical crimes against the LGBT community, solely because the victim is a member of the LGBT, as a hate crime with harsher punishments. There have been both Congressional actions, such as the hate crime statute, as well as Supreme Court decisions, such as *Lawrence*, which protect

the LGBT community in particular ways. The notion that civil unions and marriages are separate but equal is highly suspect now with the advent of *Windsor*. Before, it could be said that civil unions could be justified because granting marriage would still make a gay couple unequal on the federal level. However, that inequality is no longer applicable if the state allows for equality on their level. Thus, the sole reason that gay couples cannot be equal to straight couples is because the state does not allow for gay marriages, a disqualification based solely on the discrimination of sexual orientation. This inequality on the state level that is based solely on their discrimination of sexual orientation cannot be upheld even under rational basis if one agrees that marriage's main purpose is stability.

Now, the reaction that allowing for same-sex marriage will result in the allowance for marriage to animals and other nonsense is unfounded if one bases the definition of marriage in contracts, since that's what a marriage is. A marriage is a contractual agreement that two persons, that both consent, will be at least financially tied to one another. There's an embedded assumption that the relationship of a marriage will go beyond just a financial tie but to explicitly say more in the law will be problematic. And as everyone knows, a couple could still be married and not have any emotional or physical ties to each other. But those lack of ties do not disintegrate the marriage. And therefore, they should not be a requirement for the creation of one either. The element of consent automatically negates claims of marriage to minors or animals or any other ridiculous nonsense out there. There would still be the restriction on familial ties because that conflicts with the purpose of stability and raises red flags in the area of consent. Thus to say that the allowance of marriage to same-sex couples would bring on a slippery slope of ridiculous possibilities is unfounded.

To address concerns on the infringement of Religious Freedom, the current exemptions given in Senate Bill 1 to those working within one's own religious roles (i.e. clergymen), I believe to be sufficient and acceptable. However, exemptions beyond that boundary that extend into the public marketplace is unacceptable. When practicing within their religious roles, as to their protection of religious freedom, churches and clergy should not be required to perform ceremonies that

interfere with their practice of their religion. That is an understandable exemption that would be allowed under the First Amendment. However, to extend that exemption into the public marketplace would be completely unacceptable because business with the public cannot discriminate customers. The businesses don't have to be religion-neutral but they can't discriminate their customer base either if they are to be a business in the public marketplace. Because businesses in the marketplace are in the business of selling a service or a product that could be construed as religion neutral, such as a flower caterer, food caterer and are not bound on the practice of religion. Thus they shouldn't have a religious-practice exemption.

This is all of the major points that I wanted to convey. I do thank you for your time if you read this. Thank you for taking the consideration to make this bill a possibility. The passage of this bill would be a great step towards equality and making sexual preference another classification that can no longer be acceptable in the disparate treatment of individuals. The standard of policy should be consistent with the ideals of humanity and the acceptance and respect that we could provide to one another.

Thank you again,

Michael Ganoot

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Testimony for on Oct 31, 2013 10:00AM in Conference Room Auditorium

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Regina Guzzo	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am Strongly against the passing of SB1. It is not a well thought out bill. It will cause a great divisional rift in our community. It infringes on the constitutional rights of everyone, not just Christians! The government finally recognized marriage in the first place because it had proved itself to be essential in the betterment of society. It proved to provide a stable environment for raising children to be stable productive members of society. Same sex marriage does the exact opposite. The statistics belies that I have sited below with the link to the original articles, clearly shows that same sex relationships are far from stable. In fact the lifestyle they choose is abusive, promiscuous, and leads to a short lifespan. These are not the ideal homes for a child to grow up in. Those children also lack the relationship needed with the biological parent that is not in the home because they are of the opposite sex. The aftermath of this bill will be detrimental to society. It will force schools to teach same sexuality education as young as the kindergarten level which some children start at the age of 4. Some schools are forced to go as far as to have "mock same sex weddings"! With all of this the parents lose their right to opt out of this education and these activities with our facing legal action for "hate crimes" and possibly face fines, jail time and could lose their children completely because they choose to "opt out" for religious reasons or because they believe the information to be too sensitive for their child. This will then flood our already o reloaded legal system with hate crime cases. People will lose their businesses, their religious beliefs will considered "illegal" and will ultimately hurt our economy, not better it. If same sex oriented people feel they do not have the same rights under the Civil Union law, then the path to take us to amend it. This is not a civil rights issue, be we has been and never will be. The government has never been in the business of LOVE. It is here to serve the people and do as they ask. Not the other way around as people seem to believe. When slavery was changed as a civil rights issue, the black people were still men and women, that never changed. They were human before and human after. When women's right to vote came up as a civil rights issue, they were women before and women after; when interracial marriage came up it was still a male and a female being married. Their race, gender and species did not change nor can it be changed. These things are absolutes. Homosexuality is not an absolute. One can choose to be straight or choose to be gay. I know a lot of the like to SAY they were born that way but their is NO SCIENTIFIC Basis to these claims. This bill should be stopped right here and now. Thus us not an issue that the legislators should ever keep from the people voting on. I implore you all to vote NO and kill this bill! " A recent study conducted at the national level found that 21.7% of women and 7.4% of men in traditional heterosexual relationships reported some form of rape, physical assault or stalking within the context of their relationship. (U.S. Department of Justice, "Extent, Nature, and Consequences of Intimate Partner Violence" Office of Justice Programs, July, 2000). " "The same

study on violence just referenced revealed that 39% of women and 23.1% of men in same sex relationships reported the same kinds of abuse. (U.S. Department of Justice, "Extent, Nature, and Consequences of Intimate Partner Violence," Office of Justice Programs, July, 2000). This data obviously reveals that same sex relationships are far more likely to involve abuse and violence. And this data is supported by other surveys and studies. The Bureau of Justice reports that women in traditional heterosexual marriages experience far lower rates of violence than women in any other type of relationship. (Bureau of Justice Statistics Special Report, "Intimate Partner Violence," U.S. Department of Justice, May, 2000). Over and over again, studies reveal that homosexual and lesbian relationships are far more violent than traditional marital relationships. In one study, researchers found that 90% of surveyed lesbians said they had suffered verbal abuse and 31% said they had experienced physical abuse from their same sex partner. (Lettie L. Lockhart et al., "Letting out the Secret: Violence in Lesbian Relationships," Journal of Interpersonal Violence 9, 1994). Another survey found that more than 50% of lesbians reported that they had been abused by their female partner. (Gwat Yong Lie and Sabrina Gentlewarrier, "Intimate Violence in Lesbian Relationships: Discussion of Survey Findings and Practice Implications," Journal of Social Service Research 15, 1991). Additional studies confirm this level of abuse within lesbian relationships. One such study revealed that 54% of lesbian couples report 10 or more incidents of abuse, and 74% reported that the abuse grew worse over time. (William C. Nichols, et al, editors, "Handbook of Family Development and Intervention," New York, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., 2000). And male homosexual couples report similar abuse. One study found that gay men experience nearly two times the amount of violence (in the context of their relationships) than traditional heterosexual couples. (D. Island and P. Letellier, "Men Who Beat the Men Who Love Them: Battered Gay Men and Domestic Violence," New York, Haworth Press, 1991). These studies simply reveal the truth of the matter. Homosexual relationships are far more violent than heterosexual relationships, based on a number of different parameters and measurements." Studies confirm that while some heterosexual partners may have broken their vows of fidelity to their marriage partner, the majority have remained faithful, devoted and monogamous. National surveys have consistently discovered that 75-81% of married men and 85-88% of married women had never broken their marriage vows. (Michael W. Wiederman, "Extramarital Sex: Prevalence and Correlates in a National Survey," Journal of Sex Research 34, 1997; E. O. Laumann et al., "The Social Organization of Sexuality: Sexual Practices in the United States," Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1994; and "Sexual Habits of Americans Have Changed Dramatically in Ten Years: New National Survey Finds Both Men and Women More Committed and Caring," PR Newswire, August 4, 1994). Over and over again, studies reveal that heterosexual marital partnerships are largely stable, devoted and monogamous. A classic homosexual study revealed that 43% of white homosexual men had sex with at least 500 partners and 28% had sex with at least 1000 partners. (A. P. Bell and M. S. Weinberg, "Homosexualities: A Study of Diversity Among Men and Women," New York: Simon and Schuster, 1978, pp. 308, 309; and A. P. Bell, M. S. Weinberg, and S. K. Hammersmith, "Sexual Preference," Bloomington, Indiana University Press, 1981). This survey has been repeatedly confirmed by additional research. The Journal of Sex Research reports that most homosexuals have between 100 and 500 sexual partners in their lifetime. 10.2% reported that they had between 501 and 1,000 sex partners, and 15.7% said they had more than 1000 sex partners in their lifetime. (Paul Van de Ven et al., "A Comparative Demographic and Sexual Profile of Older Homosexually Active Men," Journal of Sex Research 34, 1997). And studies conducted by homosexual advocate groups agree with these findings, reporting that 24% of those homosexuals who were surveyed reported that they had more than 100 sex partners in their lifetime. Several of those surveyed indicated that they had more than 1000 sex partners. ("Sex Survey Results," Genre, October 1996, as quoted in "Survey Finds 40 percent of Gay Men Have Had More Than 40 Sex Partners," Lambda Report, January 1998) A national study in 2001 revealed that 66% of first marriages last ten years or more, and 50% last twenty years or longer (Matthew D. Bramlett and William D. Mosher, "First Marriage Dissolution, Divorce and Remarriage: United States," Advance Data, National Center for Health Statistics □ May 31, 2001). A national study in 2002 revealed that

70.7% of women married between 1970 and 1974 stayed married for at least 10 years and 57.7% stayed married for at least 20 years (Rose M. Kreider and Jason M. Fields, "Number, Timing, and Duration of Marriages and Divorces: 1996" Current Population Reports, P70-80, U.S. Census Bureau, Washington, D.C. February 2002). While heterosexual couples do often divorce, large numbers of opposite sex marriages survive even beyond the 20 year mark, allowing for children to be raised within the context of an intact biological family unit. Same sex relationships are not nearly as durable. In a 2003-2004 survey of homosexual lifestyles conducted by a homosexual organization, only 15% of same sex relationships were reported to last longer than 12 years and only 5% of these relationships lasted more than 20 years ("Largest Gay Study Examines 2004 Relationships," GayWire Latest Breaking Releases, www.glcensus.org). Homosexual men are far less likely to participate in monogamous long term relationships than homosexual women; some European studies have reported that the average length of a homosexual partnership is approximately 1.5 years (Maria Xiridou, et al, "The Contribution of Steady and Casual Partnerships to the Incidence of HIV Infection among Homosexual Men in Amsterdam," AIDS 17 (2003). And western studies examining the lifestyles of homosexual men in America report similar statistics: University of Chicago Sociologist Edward Laumann "Typical gay city inhabitants spend most of their adult lives in "transactional" relationships, or short-term commitments of less than six months." (Adrian Brune, "City Gays Skip Long-term Relationships: Study Says," Washington Blade (February 27, 2004) Researcher M. Pollak "Few homosexual relationships last longer than two years, with many men reporting hundreds of lifetime partners." (M. Pollak, "Male Homosexuality in Western Sexuality: Practice and Precept in Past and Present Times," ed. P. Aries and A. Bejin, translated by Anthony Forster, New York, NY: B. Blackwell, 1985) We know, for example, that children raised in two biological parent families are far less likely to become sexually active at a young age compared to every other form of family unit, including stepfamilies. (Dawn Upchurch, et al., "Neighborhood and Family Contexts of Adolescent Sexual Activity," Journal of Marriage and the Family, 61, 1999, 920-930). Children who are not living with both biological parents are 50 to 150% more likely to abuse drugs than kids who are raised in other types of family units, including stepfamilies like those formed in same sex unions. (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, "The Relationship Between Family Structure and Adolescent Substance Use," Rockville, MD, National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information, 1996). In a similar way, studies indicate that "children residing in households with adults unrelated to them were 8 times more likely to die of maltreatment than children in households with 2 biological parents. Risk of maltreatment death was elevated for children residing with step, foster, or adoptive parents." (Michael Stiffman, et al., "Household Composition and Risk of Fatal Child Maltreatment," Pediatrics, 109, 2002, pp.615-621). Over and over again, studies confirm the same reality: children do better when raised not only in two parent family units, but in two biological parent family units!" <http://pleaseconvinceme.com/2012/should-government-recognize-and-legalize-same-sex-marriage/> "High School Graduation rates Among Children of Same-Sex Households," found that children living with gay and lesbian families in 2006 were about 65% as likely to graduate compared to children living in homes headed by married heterosexual couples. Perhaps most startling are the findings regarding the gender of the children and their graduation outcomes, which vary wildly based on whether they were raised in gay vs. lesbian households. Daughters raised by gay men are only 15% as likely to graduate, while daughters of lesbian parents are 45% as likely to graduate. Interestingly, sons of lesbian parents are 76% as likely to graduate, while boys raised by gay men are 61% more likely to graduate than those raised by lesbians. http://www.americanthinker.com/2013/10/m-as_it_turns_out_it_does_make_a_difference.html

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To: House Judiciary Committee
Hearing Date & Time: Thursday, October 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m.
Place: Hawaii State Capitol Auditorium
Re: Strong Opposition to SB1

Dear Chair Rhoads and Members of the House Judiciary Committee:

I am writing to voice my strong opposition to Bill SB1.

I am asking you to allow the people to decide on the issue of marriage. I ask you to support the rights of conscience for individuals, businesses and Churches. SB1 does not protect our religious freedom to the full extent.

I am opposed to the most contentious social issue in our history being decided virtually in one week through a Special Session and I ask that you please uphold the principles of democracy and the democratic process which are being disregarded in this special session.

This bill should be given due process during the Regular Session where it can properly be vetted and examined as all other bills. The people who elected you to represent them should be represented in that we know that approximately 70% voted NO to same sex "marriage" the last time it was on the ballot in 1998. Please put it on the ballot again. The people should be able to vote on the marriage issue, not just give public testimony.

In addition, IF SB1 were to pass, the legalization of same sex "marriage" would take away my First Amendment rights. The First Amendment states: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof;..." Vote NO on SB1 to protect all of our First Amendment rights, including the free exercise of religion. Please let the people decide.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

To: Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

Hearing Date/Time: Monday, October 28, 2013, 10:30 a.m.

Place: Capitol Auditorium

Re: Opposition to SB1, Special Session

Dear Chairs Rhoads and Luke, and Members of both the House Committees on Judiciary and Finance:

I am writing to voice my strong opposition to Bill SB1.

Please allow the people of Hawaii to decide on the issue of marriage, as I believe the legislature is going against the will of the people. Equality is important for all of us including our religious freedom, which I ask you to respect as our elected leaders. The religious protections in this bill are vague and do not protect the church and its members as we exercise our First Amendment right.

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Teri Espinosa
Kapolei, HI

To: The House Judiciary Committee

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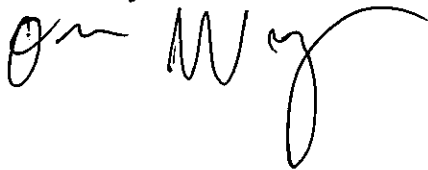
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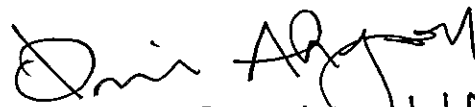
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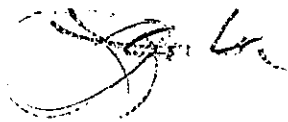
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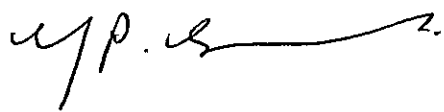
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SG377. Leleuli st

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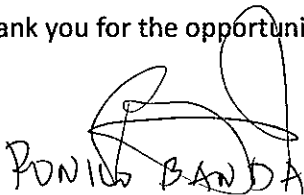
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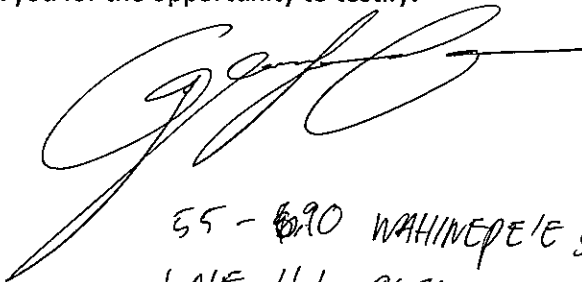
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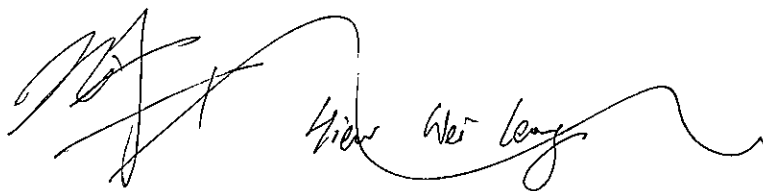
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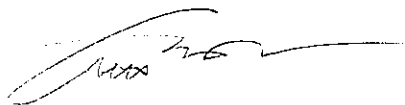
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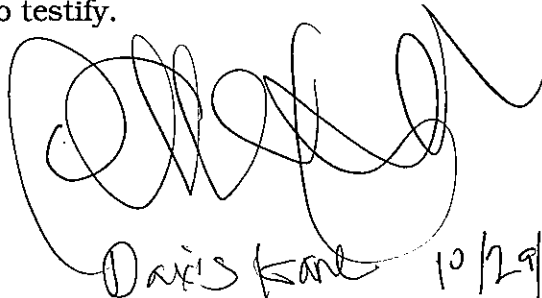
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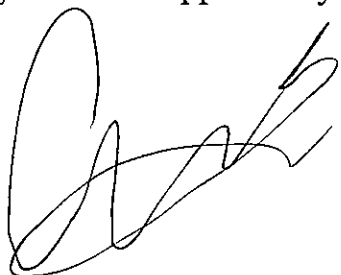
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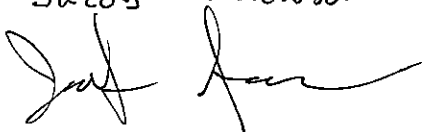
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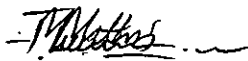
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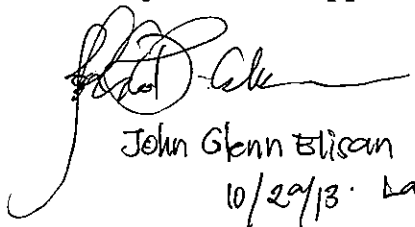
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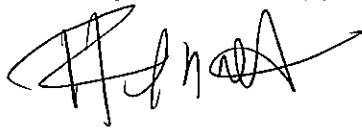
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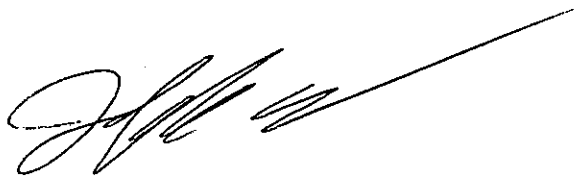
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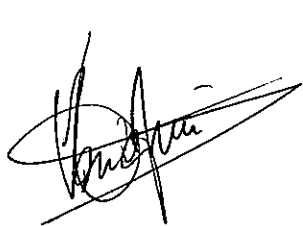
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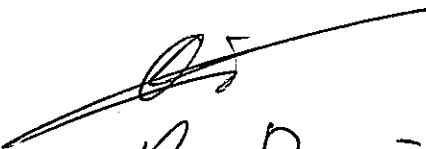
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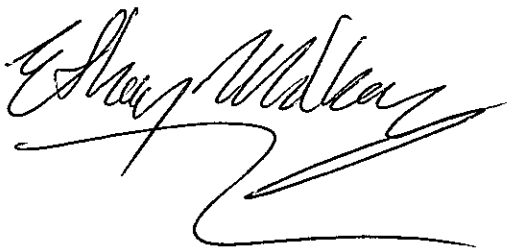
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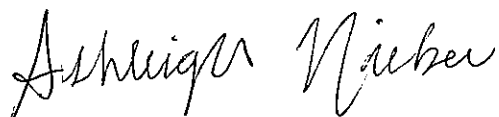
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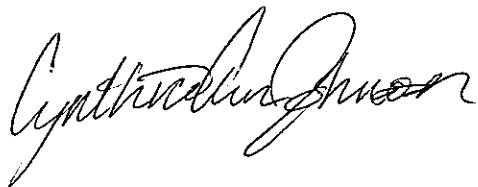
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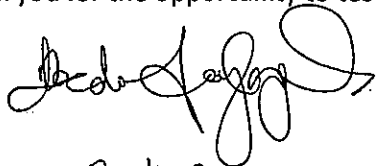
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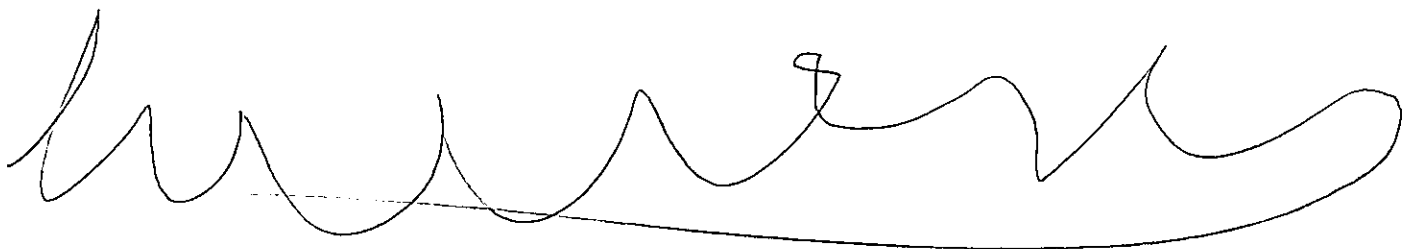
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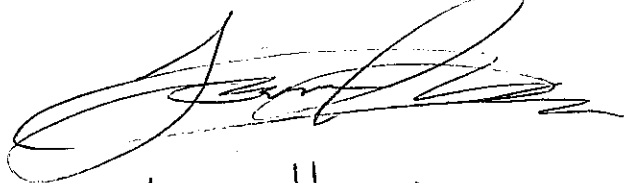
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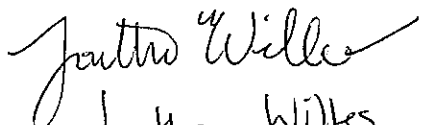
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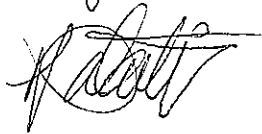
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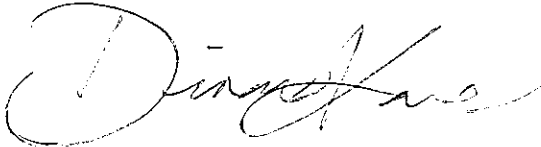
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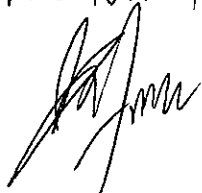
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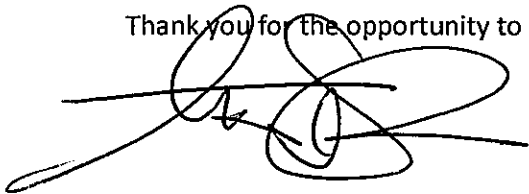
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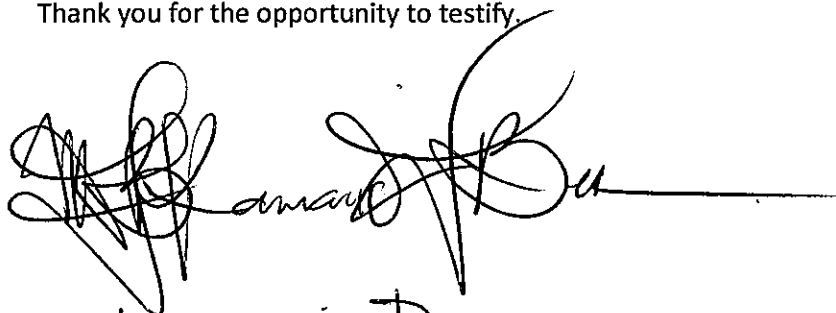
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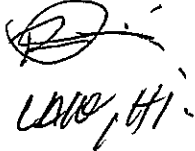
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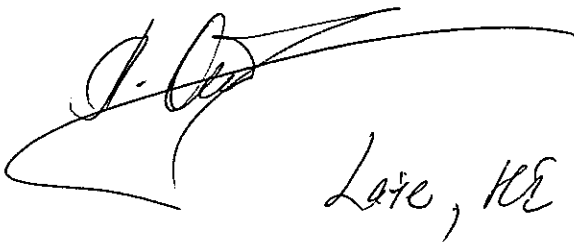
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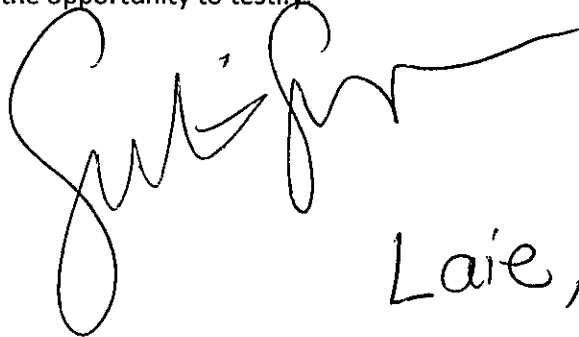
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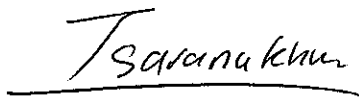
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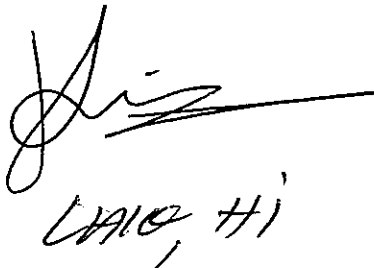
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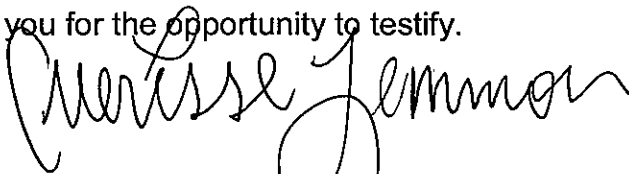
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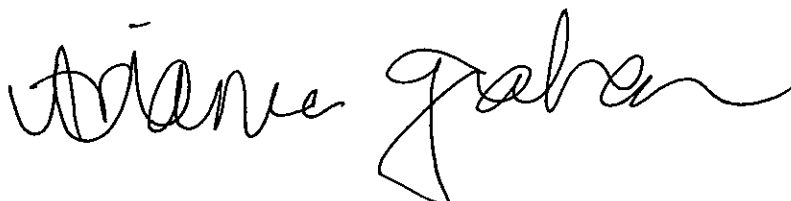
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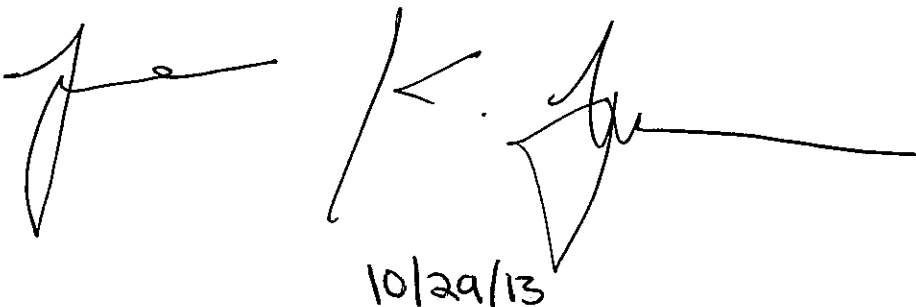
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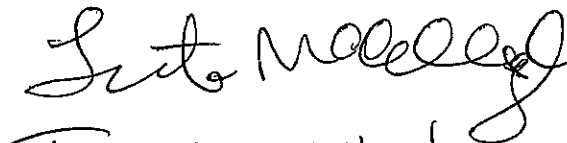
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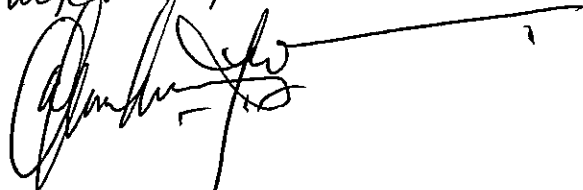
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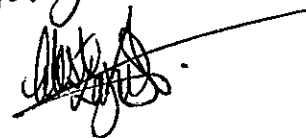
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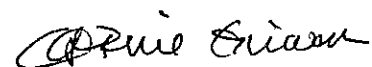
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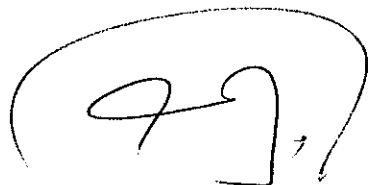
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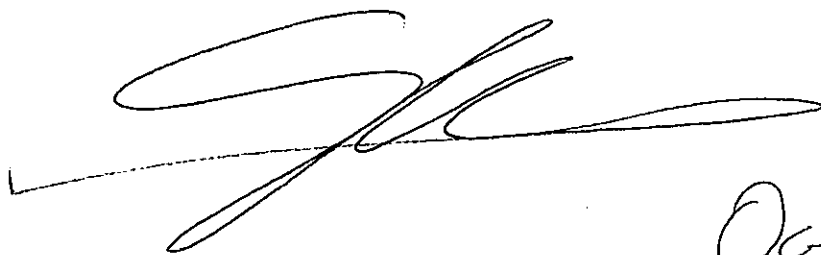
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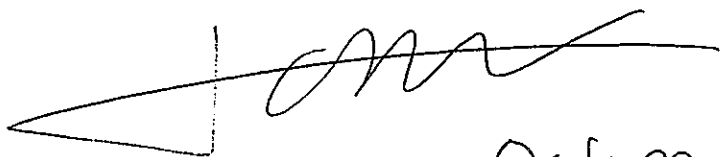
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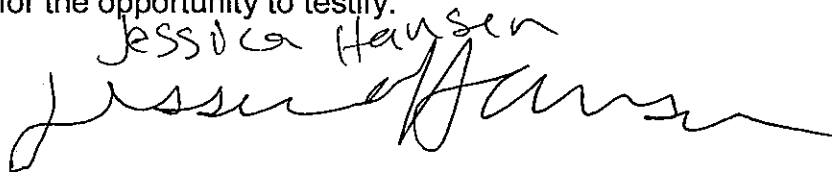
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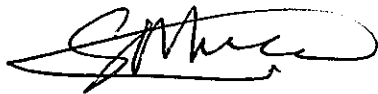
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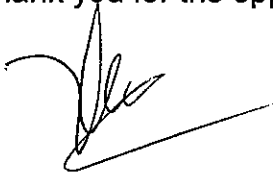
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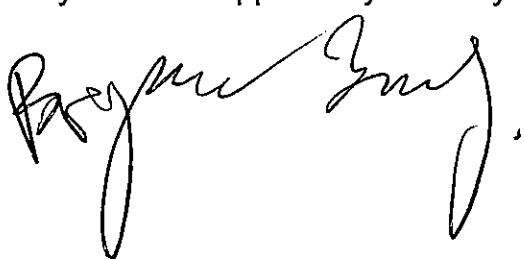
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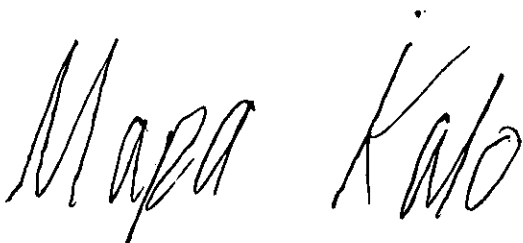
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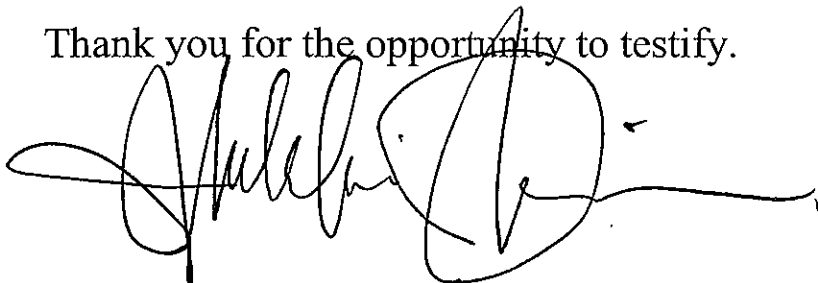
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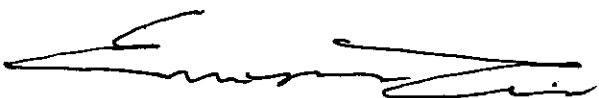
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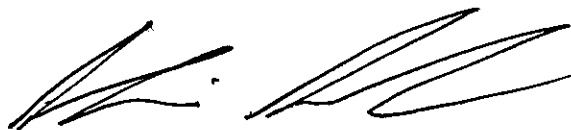
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