



# GM 529

**Measure Title:** Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Community Development Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, BRETT N. PREJEAN, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.

**Report Title:** Hawaii Community Development Authority

**Description:**

**Companion:**

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Chair Chun-Oakland, Vice Chair Green, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to offer my strong support for Brett Nakoa Prejean to the Hawai'i Community Development Authority. Nakoa is a well-respected cultural specialist in building and sailing canoes. He will be a tremendous asset on the authority



# KO'OLAUPOKO HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUB

February 16, 2015

To: Sen. Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair / & Members  
Committee on Human Services and Housing

From: Alice P. Hewett, President  
Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club

Re: G.M. 529, Nomination of Brett N. Prejean to HCDA-He'eia Seat

Aloha, Chair Chun Oakland and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club, I offer our strong support for the appointment of Brett Nakoa Prejean to serve on one of three He'eia seats for the Hawai'i Community Development Authority.

The Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club has partnered with the non-profit Kako'o 'Oiwī to restore lo'i kalo fields at He'eia, and we are deeply interested in whoever is appointed to these seats.

We have known Nakoa for many years, and feel he is certain to be an asset to the HCDA board.

We urge your approval of his confirmation.

Mahalo for allowing us to share our mana'o.

*The Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club was established in 1937 and is a not-for-profit community organization dedicated to preserving and perpetuating the history, heritage and culture of Native Hawaiians. Its membership is open to people of Hawaiian ancestry and those who are "Hawaiian at heart".*

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**From:** Hannah Murphy [mailto:Hannah@Salemhawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 09, 2015 5:04 PM  
**To:** Sen. Suzanne Chun Oakland  
**Subject:** Brett Prejean - Hawaii Community Development Authority

Aloha Senator Chun Oakland,

I am writing to support the nomination of Brett Prejean to fill the small business representative for the Hawaii Community Development Authority. I truly feel that he will represent our community well and is very passionate about his culture, our island and being a supportive member of our island community.

Thank you for your time and consideration and please feel free to contact me regarding this letter if needed.

Wishing you a sunny day,

*Hannah Murphy*

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