

April 7, 2015

VIA email: kinikohu@hotmail.com
Ms. Madeline Guyett
P.O. Box 714
Kilauea, Hawaii 96754

Dear Ms. Guyett:

Re: Governor's Message No. 703, Madeline Guyett
Governor's Nominee
Kokee State Park Advisory Council
Expiration Date: June 30, 2015
&
Governor's Message No. 704, Madeline Guyett
Governor's Nominee
Kokee State Park Advisory Council
Expiration Date: June 30, 2019

Thank you for your willingness to serve on the Kokee State Park Advisory Council. To assist the Senate with its constitutionally mandated responsibility to confirm gubernatorial nominees, we request you provide us with the following information as part of your testimony.

- (1) Why do you wish to be a member of the Kokee State Park Advisory Council? I would like to be a member of the KAC to participate and represent the many voices of our community while the approved master plan for Koke'e State Park moves forward. I have been part of the evolution of the master plan and that as a community, we have worked with the State to honor the park and support the DLNR's efforts to make necessary improvements without compromising the fragile wilderness. The council worked carefully with the State to make revisions that satisfied all, with minimal exceptions. I have been present at many council meetings throughout this process.
- (2) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a member of the Kokee State Park Advisory Council? The kuleana of a KAC member is crucial to ask the questions of the how and why the planned transitions will

take place. It's important to introduce and/or remind all of the many perspectives that are important in considering management of the parks. It is the service of the council to give good advice after all information is revealed and discussed.

- (3) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service? I hope to accomplish being a good representative of our island community to help preserve and protect Koke`e for residents, kama`aina, visitors and future generations to enjoy the beauty and cultural value of the area. I hope my input and participation has a positive impact with the tasks ahead.
- (4) Is there any other information regarding your experience and background that you believe should be considered by the committee? Please consider my experience and cultural practices as a hula dancer and lei maker in that Koke`e is a place that is important to the Hawaiian culture and those who don't take it for granted and want to continue doing what they love to do and practice, and continue to feed their spirit and ohana in a very special and sacred part of Kauai. Please refer to my Resume and Letter of Interest that have previously been submitted.

Please submit the requested information to:

Senator Laura H. Thielen
Chair, Senate Committee on Water and Land
Contact Number: 808-587-8388

Your testimony, including your responses to these questions, will be a public document, and as such will be available for public review.

I also want to take this opportunity to remind you that any testimony submitted to Senate committees on your behalf will be posted on the Legislature's website as submitted. It might be helpful to remind individuals who intend to submit testimony on your nomination of the public nature of the testimony.

I would appreciate receiving your response by close of business on Thursday, April 9, 2015.

Sincerely,

Senator Laura H. Thielen

Chair, Senate Committee on Water and Land

Objective	Kokee State Advisory Council 2014		
Professional Achievements	Treasurer, Save Koke`e Board of Directors Hula Haumana, Ka Waikahe Lani Malie, Kumu Hula Blaine Kamalani Kia and Kumu Hula Cristy La`amea Almeida Award Winning Lei Maker <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kauai Museum, Annual Lei Day Contest, 2007-current Small Business Owner of Kinikohu <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hula Dancer, Hula Lessons• Leis and Lei making workshops• Photography & Lei Art products		
Work History	Accounting Manager	Hanalei Land Company LLC Hanalei, HI 96714	9/1/2007-current
	Golf Accounting	Princeville at Hanalei Princeville, HI 96722	1994-2007
	General Manager	Guava Kai Plantation Kilauea, HI 96754	1989-1993
	Administrative Assistant	Wilcox Hospital Foundation, Lihue, HI 96766	1987-1989
Education	California State University at Long Beach	Long Beach, California	1978-1983
References	References are available on request.		

LETTER OF INTEREST / TESTIMONY

Koke`e State Advisory Council

Aloha and Mahalo for this opportunity to share the voice of the community with you. My name is Madeline Guyett. I live in Kilauea, work in Hanalei, and I am one of many who finds peace, beauty, and inspiration from beloved Koke`e. Although I live and work on the north shore, from Hanalei I often gaze towards the Wainiha ridge and yearn to be there at Koke`e. Koke`e is a place where my ohana and I go to learn and experience Ke Akua's bountiful blessings, to hike in the natural landscape of the forests and observe the many birds and other wildlife. As a hula dancer, with reverence I practice my oli and hula there. I gather plants and flowers along the trails and deep in the forest to make leis to honor those I love and respect. My husband, Jon, is a teacher and has walked beside the late David Boynton and taught many of Kauai's children about the plant and bird species and ecosystems of Koke`e. My son, Eric, is one of those kids that have grown up to love and respect Koke`e. As a board member for Save Koke`e, I have concern and feel a responsibility to protect and be a part of the transition that the DLNR plans for the area. For hundreds of years, the ancient people of this land have taken care of Koke`e and Waimea Canyon and have been able to maintain it the way it is meant to be. I would like to keep Koke`e's unique and natural beauty as a place for others and future generations to enjoy. I've lived in a concrete city where you have to drive miles to see wilderness, whereas living on Kauai is a blessing and you are surrounded by nature. Kauai's Living Treasures have testified to keep Koke`e the way it is. I hear their cry and want to represent our island community's voices as well. Serving on the Koke`e State Advisory Council will allow me to do just that! Koke`e is one of the most special and sacred treasures in the world.

Mahalo for your consideration!

Respectfully,

Madeline M. Guyett