NAME	ORGANIZATION/INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT/OPPOSE
CARTY S CHANG	DLNR	SUPPORT
AMY HODGES	MAUI NUI MARINE RESOURCE COUNCIL	SUPPORT
ROBIN NEWBOLD	MAUI NUI MARINE RESOURCE CENTER	SUPPORT
EDWARD CLEMENT JR	HAWAIIAN ISLANDS LAND TRUST	SUPPORT
MARK FOX	THE NATURE CONSERVANCY	SUPPORT
MICHAEL J SUMMERS	PLANNING CONSULTANTS HAWAII LLC	SUPPORT
WENDY JOHNSON	HAWAII AUDUBON SOCIETY	SUPPORT
ANTHONY MARTIE	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
DOLAN EVERSOLE	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
DONALD DRAKE	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
FRANCINE M PARK-PALAMA	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
GLENN METZLER	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
JESSE SOUKI	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
JOANN A YUKIMURA	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
KEITH SCOTT	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
LEIMANA DAMATE	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
LINDA PAUL	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
LISA ELLEN SMITH	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
LUCIENNE DE NAIE	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
NANCY M MCPHERSON	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT
THERESA MENARD	INDIVIDUAL	SUPPORT

To: WTLTestimony

Cc: <u>amel.s.chun@hawaii.gov</u>

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DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR OF HAWAII





STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

POST OFFICE BOX 621 HONOLULU, HAWAII 96809

Testimony of **CARTY S. CHANG Interim Chairperson**

Before the Senate Committee on WATER AND LAND

Monday, April 13, 2015 2:45 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 224

In consideration of **GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 819** SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LEGACY LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, THORNE ABBOTT, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2019

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports Governor's Message (GM) 819 to appoint Thorne Abbott to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission (Commission) for a term to expire 6-30-2019.

Thorne Abbott is a resident of Maui and has possesses scientific qualifications as evidenced by an advanced degree, as required under Section 173A-2.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes. possesses a Master of Science in Tropical Environmental Management from James Cook University, Dept. of Environmental Studies & Geography, in Townsville, Australia. Mr. Abbott has also studied Marine Science at the University of Maryland and Coastal Planning at the Dept. of Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Hawaii at Mānoa. Mr. Abbott is currently a coastal, environmental, and land use planner with Coastal Planners, LLC, and over ten years of experience as a coastal planner with both government and private firms. His experience in coastal planning and familiarity with Hawaii land use laws and regulations have assisted the Commission and the Department in reviewing and analyzing land acquisition grant proposals submitted through the Legacy Land Conservation Program. Mr. Abbott's proficiencies in marine science, shoreline protection and permitting, and protected area planning will enable him to continue providing the Commission and Department with a unique multi-disciplinary perspective.

The Department strongly supports GM 819 on the reappointment of Thorne Abbott to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission and looks forward to working with Mr. Abbott.

CARTY S. CHANG

INTERIM CHAIRPERSON
BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
COMMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

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From: <u>amyhodges1@gmail.com</u> on behalf of <u>Amy Hodges</u>

To: WTLTestimony

Subject: Testimony in support of Thorne Abbott to Legacy Lands Commission

Date: Friday, April 10, 2015 3:31:29 PM

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Aloha,

Please accept the attached letter of support for Thorne Abbott's nomination for the Legacy Lands Commission.

Mahalo.

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Amy Hodges

Program and Operations Coordinator Maui Nui Marine Resource Council



Robin Newbold, Chair

Tegan Hammond, MCRP Coordinator

Amy Hodges, Program Assistant

Irene Bowie

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Wendy Harvey

Harry Hecht

Sol Kaho'ohalahala

Robin Knox

Ekolu Lindsey

Takeo Miyaguchi

Tamara Paltin

Dana Reed

Rina Sampson

Larry Stevens

Ananda Stone

Darla White

April 10, 2015

To: Selection Committee for DLNR Legacy Lands Conservation Commission

From: Robin Newbold, Chair, Maui Nui Marine Resource Council and

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Re: GM 819 - Thorne Abbott Nomination to the Legacy Lands Conservation Commission

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I have experienced Thorne's dedication, expertise and experience first-hand and know he will contribute productively to the discussions and decisions of the Commission.

Mahalo,

Robin Newbold

Chair, Maui Nui Marine Resource Council

To: WTLTestimony
Cc: hodges@mnmrc.org

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Robin Newbold	Individual	Support	No	Ì

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Robin Newbold

Chair, Maui Nui Marine Resource Council

From: <u>Ted Clement</u>
To: <u>WTLTestimony</u>

Subject: Testimony in Support of Thorne Abott for the Legacy Land Conservation Commission

Date: Friday, April 10, 2015 1:57:56 PM

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Aloha,

On behalf of the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust ("HILT"), I gladly submit this testimony in support of Thorne Abbott's nomination for the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.

HILT is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization formed in 2011 out of the merger of four local land trusts, and it is the first and only nationally accredited local land trust in Hawai'i. Our mission is to protect the lands that will sustain us for current and future generations. HILT has conserved over 17,500 acres to date, via perpetual Conservation Easements and Fee Simple Ownership, on a number of properties with various conservation values important to residents and visitors alike. We conserve lands that secure Hawai'i's long-term well-being, lands with scenic views, agricultural resources, wildlife habitats, water resource areas, cultural and historical sites, and outdoor recreation opportunities. To learn more, go to www.hilt.org

Mr. Abbott has a solid understanding of coastal resources, land conservation, and applicable governmental permits and processes such as SMA and shoreline approvals. He is also a thoughtful individual with a considerate and positive demeanor.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this testimony is support of Thorne Abbott's nomination for the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.

Sincerely,

Edward Sortwell Clement, Jr.

Executive Director Hawaiian Islands Land Trust P.O. Box 965, Wailuku, HI 96793 Office: 808-244-5263, Direct: 808-633-1057

> www.hilt.org ted@hilt.org



Our Mission: To protect the lands that sustain us for current and future generations.

To: WTLTestimony
Cc: stangonan@tnc.org

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Mark Fox	The Nature Conservancy	Support	Yes	

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The Nature Conservancy, Hawai'i Program 923 Nu'uanu Avenue Honolulu, HI 96817 Tel (808) 537-4508 Fax (808) 545-2019 nature.org/hawaii

Testimony of The Nature Conservancy of Hawai'i
Supporting GM 819 Gubernatorial Nominee Thorne Abbott
for Confirmation to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission
Senate Committee on Water and Land
Monday, April 13, 2015, 2:45PM, Room 224

For more than 35 years, The Nature Conservancy of Hawai'i has been working closely with government agencies, local businesses, private landowners, non-profit partners, and interested communities across the state to preserve the lands and waters upon which all life in these islands depends. The Conservancy is a private non-profit conservation organization that has helped to protect nearly 200,000 acres of natural lands on O'ahu, Maui, Hawai'i, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, and Kaua'i. We also support 19 coastal communities seeking to co-manage marine resources in partnership with the State of Hawai'i.

The Nature Conservancy supports Thorne Abbott's confirmation to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. Thorne brings expansive knowledge and experience on the coastal zone regulations and management to the Commission. This is a unique expertise amongst the current Commission members and will be particularly useful to the Commission and the State in evaluating land protection proposals for coastal habitat, shoreline, open space, recreational, and historic and cultural preservation.

To: WTLTestimony

Cc: <u>msummers@planningconsultantshawaii.com</u>

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Michael J Summers	Individual	Support	No	

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Land Use Planning ● Sustainability Services ● Community Planning ● Development Permits

TO: State Legislature

FROM: Michael Summers, President

Planning Consultants Hawaii, LLC

DATE: April 10, 2015

SUBJECT: GM819

I am writing this testimony in support of Thorne Abbott's nomination to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.

I have been a practicing professional land use and community planner in the State of Hawaii since 1995. I have known Thorne professionally and personally for over 20 years. Thorne is one of the most knowledgeable and experienced shoreline planners in the State of Hawaii. I know that he is personally committed to always following best planning practices and he possesses a strong conservation and community ethic. Thorne will bring extensive knowledge and expertise to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission and I strongly support his nomination to this important post.

To: WTLTestimony

Cc: johnsonw002@hawaii.rr.com

Subject: Submitted testimony for GM819 on Apr 13, 2015 14:45PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Wendy Johnson	Hawaii Audubon Society	Comments Only	No

Comments: The Hawaii Audubon Society strongly supports the appointment of Thorne Abbott to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. He has served with distinction for several years on the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Audubon Society and is extremely well-informed about local conservation issues. Thorne Abbot is deeply committed to assisting with the projects and priorities of the Legacy Land Commission. Sincerely, Wendy Johnson Executive Director Hawaii Audubon Society

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To: WTLTestimony
Cc: tony@tonymartie.com

Subject: *Submitted testimony for GM819 on Apr 13, 2015 14:45PM*

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Anthony Martie	Individual	Support	No

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To: <u>WTLTestimony</u>
Cc: <u>eversole@hawaii.edu</u>

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Dolan Eversole	Individual	Support	No

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To: <u>WTLTestimony</u>
Cc: <u>dondrake@hawaii.edu</u>

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Donald Drake	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: To whom it may concern, I have served with Thorne Abbot on the Board of Directors for the Hawaii Audubon Society and have found him to be extremely knowledgeable about environmental and land-use issues in Hawaii. I have also been impressed with the thoughtfulness and consideration with which he addresses and discusses issues. I think he would be an excellent member of the Commission, and fully support him. Don Drake, PhD

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From: <u>Fran Palama</u>
To: <u>WTLTestimony</u>

Subject: RE: LLCC Nominee: Thorne Abbott
Date: Friday, April 10, 2015 7:06:38 AM

Aloha kakahiaka kakou,

Permit by these means to share my mana`o and support for Thorne Abbott as a volunteer for the Legacy Land Conservation Committee. Thorne is a committed and dedicated individual who is our boots on the ground and eyes and has contributed immensely toward the success of this program. His knowledge, background and experiences with Coastal Zone Management makes him a great asset to the team. For the past 3 years, as a Commissioner, he has learned from his and colleagues and they from him and have participated actively to keeping the mission of the LLCC. I am truly honored and privileged to have known and worked with Thorne in the Hawaiian communities across the state on land and ocean issues especially in Keaukaha and Hawaii Island. I urge this Selection Committee DO NOT pass over this nominee but MALAMA and KEEP him on board for another term. We, in the Hawaiian community, (Keaukaha, Kahana, Waianae and Hauula) and as a people of this aina, trust, honor and look forward to continuing our relationship with Mr. Thorne Abbott.

YES! Nominate Mr. Abbott for another term!

Na pomaika`i,

Kahu Dr. Francine M.Park-Palama, native Hawaiian woman of Keaukaha, Kahana, Hauula and Waianae

To: WTLTestimony
Cc: metzeco@gmail.com

Subject: Submitted testimony for GM819 on Apr 13, 2015 14:45PM

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Glenn Metzler	Individual	Support	No	Ì

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Hawaii State Senate Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

April 12, 2015

Subject: Appointment of Thorne Abbott to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission

Dear Senators:

I strongly recommend Thorne Abbott for the Legacy Land Conservation Commission (LLCC). I am an experienced biologist living and working in Hawaii for 10 years for a private environmental consulting firm and more recently for the U.S Forest Service as a temporary employee and with my own business. I have known Thorne for approximately 5 years, initially while we both worked for the environmental consulting firm Cardno Inc. (formerly Cardno TEC Inc.). With that firm and later as independent consultants we worked together on several projects. I also came to know of Thorne's extensive volunteer background and his work as a planner for Maui County and also previously for the government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. He has a strong commitment to natural and cultural resource conservation in Hawaii.

From my interactions with Thorne, I know he is an expert on Hawaii's coastal issues, both environmental and legal. He has dedicated many years of professional and personal life to understand them thoroughly. He also has a wide-ranging background on conservation issues from work or study in other parts of the world. Thorne brings considerable coastal planning expertise and fresh conservation perspectives to his work and I think he makes an excellent LLCC member.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss my support for his nomination or if I can be of assistance in any other way. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Glenn Metzler 808-286-1522 metzeco@gmail.com 2369 Gardenia St. Honolulu 96816

To: <u>WTLTestimony</u>
Cc: <u>jesse808@gmail.com</u>

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Jesse Souki	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
JoAnn A. Yukimura	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Chair Thielen and Members of the Water and Land Committee, I am testifying as an individual Kauai County councilmember in support of the appointment of Thorne Abbott to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. I have known Mr. Abbott for several years. When I shepherded the Shoreline Setback bill through the Kauai County Council, Thorne, who worked as Maui County's coastal planner, was enormously helpful in shaping one of the strongest shoreline setback laws in the country. He was generous with his time and expertise, did his homework and knew how to make things work from a practical standpoint without sacrificing basic conservation principles. He is a principled and professional planner who will make positive contributions toward protecting and perpetuating Hawaii's amazing, unique and precious land resources. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in support of Mr. Abbott's confirmation.

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To: WTLTestimony
Cc: oasispacific@gmail.com

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Keith Scott	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I've worked with Thorne on a number of issues over the time that I have known him, and have always found him helpful, knowledgeable and professional. His background in coastal processes, planning and government in general make him an ideal candidate to serve on the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.

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To: WTLTestimony

Cc: <u>Leimana.K.Damate@hawaii.gov</u>

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Leimana DaMate	Individual	Support	Yes	

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Testimony of Leimana DaMate

Before the Senate Committee on WATER AND LAND

Monday, April 13, 2015 2:45 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 224

Governor's Message No. 819

Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, Thorne Abbott, for a term to expire 6-30-19.

I have known Thorne Abbott since the 1990's when we both served on Governor Lingle's Ocean Resource Council. And, while I represented a grass roots community perspective on ocean and marine resources, Mr. Abbott, at the time, represented the County of Maui. His dedication and persistence in the protection of natural resources resonated with my group. His willingness to listen and his acceptance of Native Hawaiian input into the protection of resources was a refreshing change of attitude in a time when it was difficult for those who were not raised in a Hawaiian culture to understand the symbiotic connection between the indigenous people of Hawaii and nature.

Over the years, Thorne Abbott has continued to dedicate his time and purpose to the preservation of Hawai'i's pristine environment. He is well suited to continue as a member of the Legacy Land Conservation Commission and I urge this Committee to support this confirmation.

To: WTLTestimony
Cc: linpaul@aloha.net

Subject: Submitted testimony for GM819 on Apr 13, 2015 14:45PM

Date: Sunday, April 12, 2015 10:55:57 AM Attachments: GM 819 Thorne Abbott testimony.doc

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Submitted on: 4/12/2015

Testimony for WTL on Apr 13, 2015 14:45PM in Conference Room 224

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Linda Paul	Individual	Support	No	

Comments: Support Thorne Abbott's confirmation to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission GM819

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THE SENATE THE TWENTY-EIGTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2011

COMMITTEE ON WATER, AND LAND Senator Laura H. Thielen, Chair Senator Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair

Monday, April 13, 2015 2:45 p.m., Conference Room 224, State Capitol

GM 819 Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, THORNE ABBOTT

My name is Linda Paul and I am testifying in favor of the confirmation of Thorne Abbott for a term on the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. Mr. Abbott currently serves on the Commission representing Science on Oahu. He has moved to Maui and would give much needed input and advice in evaluating properties for acquisition or conservation easement for the Legacy Land Conservation Program on that island.

I have known and worked with Mr. Abbott for several years, primarily as a conscientious and knowledgeable member of the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Audubon Society. Like the Legacy Land Commission, the Society also seeks to protect Hawaii's unique and valuable native species and their habitat. Mr. Abbott has always given the Board sound and well-reasoned advice on matters we have undertaken pursuant to our mission statement, including the management of our wedge tailed shearwater preserve on Black Point.

Linda Paul, President of the Hawaii Audubon Society, 808-262-6859



Puffinus pacificus

To: WTLTestimony
Cc: debrannan@gmail.com

Subject: Submitted testimony for GM819 on Apr 13, 2015 14:45PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Lisa Ellen Smith	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

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April 12, 2015

Senator Laura Thielen, Chair Senator Brickwood Galuteria, Vice-Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land

Lisa Ellen Smith, AICP 1970 Hanalima Street, L204 Lihue, HI 96766

Monday, April 13, 2015

RE: In Support Thorne Abbott application to serve on the Legacy Land Conservation Commission

I had the privilege to meet and work with Thorne Abbott on the Ocean Resource Management Workgroup through the Coastal Zone Management program in 2008 through 2010. Thorne was a contributor to the original Kaua'i Shoreline Setback Ordinance. His desire to serve will benefit the state with his knowledge and experience in Hawai'i land use law and policy.

I hope you will consider Governor Ige's qualified nomination for appointment to the Legacy Land Conservation Commission.

To: WTLTestimony
Cc: laluz@maui.net

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
lucienne de naie	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Chair Thielen and WTL members Please recommend reappointment of Mr Abbott to the LLCC. He is a well informed professional who has a great background in land planning and natural resource values. He is a hard worker and will continue to make a meaningful contribution to this important commission. Mahalo for your consideration Lucienne de Naie Huelo, Maui

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Subject: Submitted testimony for GM819 on Apr 13, 2015 14:45PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nancy M. McPherson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Mr. Abbott has discharged his duties faithfully as a Commissioner, brings specialized expertise and valuable experience to the Commission, and should be reappointed. Mahalo.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Theresa Menard	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support the nomination of Thorne Abbott to serve on the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. As a fellow interim appointment to the LLCC, I got to work closely with Thorne in 2014 as we evaluated applications for the Legacy Land Conservation funding and conducted site visits together. I was impressed with his knowledge of coastal zone regulations and conservation district rules. He brings this knowledge and his years of expertise in land use planning to the Commission.

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