

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

**3837**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**APR 24 2018**

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 730

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 730, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

KANE'OHE BAY REGIONAL COUNCIL

G.M. No. 730      JEFFREY KALUHIWA,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2020,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Jeffrey Kaluhiwa for service on the Kāne'ōhe Bay Regional Council.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Jeffrey Kaluhiwa from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Aha Moku Advisory Committee, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Ko'olau Foundation, and Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Kaluhiwa's experience in the traditional Native Hawaiian land management system demonstrated by his decade of work within the ahupua'a of He'eia, commitment to public service, and proven leadership qualify him to be nominated for appointment to the Kāne'ōhe Bay Regional Council as a member representing the Kāne'ōhe Bay Recreational Boating Association. Your Committee notes that Mr. Kaluhiwa is an extremely knowledgeable cultural practitioner



who has lived his entire life in and around Kāneʻohe Bay. With deep family and personal ties to Koʻolaupoko and the Heʻeia ahupuaʻa, he has a vested interest in the proper management and care of the lands and waters of Koʻolaupoko, including Kāneʻohe Bay and its resources. As an expert fisherman (lawaiʻa), he knows the seasons, currents, tides, species, and other components that balance Kāneʻohe Bay.

Your Committee further notes that if appointed to serve as a member of the Kāneʻohe Bay Regional Council, Mr. Kaluhiwa indicated in his personal statement that he would pursue the issue of better monitoring heavy use of Ahu O Laka, commonly referred to as the Sandbar, during three-day weekends as well as illegal boating and kayak business activities that may be contrary to the design and purpose of the Kāneʻohe Bay master plan. Testimony in support of the nominee indicate that his last decade of work within the ahupuaʻa of Heʻeia demonstrates an appreciation for and dedication to the perpetuation of Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices in the contemporary context of sustainable resource management. The knowledge and experience he has gained from his professional work and from his kūpuna and family members make Mr. Kaluhiwa uniquely suited to serve on the Kāneʻohe Bay Regional Council.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Water and Land,




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KARL RHOADS, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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**Advise and Consent**

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GM 730	WTL	4/20/18		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)	X			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)				X
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
RIVIERE, Gil	X			
THIELEN, Laura H.				X
<b>TOTAL</b>	3	0	0	2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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