

**SB-60-SD-1**

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Testimony for CAI on 3/24/2021 11:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Ann Botticelli	Polynesian Voyaging Society	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Gates, Vice Chair LoPresti and members of the House Committee on Culture, Arts and International Affairs,

My name is Ann Botticelli, and I am testifying both as an individual and in my capacity as the Chair of the Advancement Committee of the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

First of all, our sincere gratitude to all of you and all of the members of the House for the steadfast support of this effort. PVS was established nearly 50 years ago with the intent of reviving the art of non-instrument navigation and proving the voyaging prowess that led to the population of the archipelago of Hawai'i. Our iconic canoe, HÅ• kÅ«le'a, has become a globally recognized symbol of that legacy.

HÅ• kÅ«le'a recently re-entered the water after being extensively refurbished by a dedicated cadre of volunteers. Young crewmembers are being trained now for the multi-year Pacific voyage which will conclude on the 50th anniversary of HÅ• kÅ«le'a's first voyage to Tahiti. Anyone who wishes to purchase our license plate will become part of this voyage, part of the renaissance of voyaging and part of a vibrant future for our planet.

Your support would be greatly appreciated.

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Submitted on: 3/22/2021 9:09:17 PM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
May Okihiro	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

I am writing in strong support of SB60 SD1 to enable the development of a Commemorative License Plate for the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS). If passed, this bill would provide a unique way to celebrate the incredible and unique accomplishments of PVS. At the same time, this bill would help to raise funds for PVS to further their mission and goals that support Polynesian culture, traditions, and families and promote environmental stewardship. As a pediatrician working with families in these challenging times, the work of PVS is more important than ever.

We appreciate your consideration and ask that you support SB60 SD1.

Mahalo,

May Okihiro, MD MS

Kaneohe, Hawaii

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Submitted on: 3/23/2021 2:08:57 AM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
TIM NEVILLE	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I own a 2017 Ford Focus all electric car and am a supporting member of the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

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Submitted on: 3/23/2021 11:07:11 AM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Barbara Exton	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This is an attractive & extremely worthwhile way to promote one of the most important causes of the Hawaiian people. The Pacific Voyaging Society has come up with a fund raising idea that not only is a winner, but what a beautiful design. Please consider this bil for a most worthy cause. It's a win all the way around.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Hardy Spoehr	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha and thank you for the opportunity to submit supportive testimony for SB 60 SD 1. I do need to disclose that I am a board member of the Polynesian Voyaging Society. This bill will enable individuals and families to visibly indicate their support for the ongoing actives of the Polynesian Voyagiang Society as it demonstrats the power of Hawaiian values and their role of providing all of us here in Hawai`i and those around the world with guidance on living in the 21st century world. One need only remember in the mind's eye the multitudes which welcomed the Hokule`a back home after circumnavigating the world spreading its educational messages around caring for our oceans and the importance of such values of aloha, kokua, and kuleana in that process.

Thank you again for this opportunity to support SB 60, SD 1

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Jeannine Johnson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please support Bill 60 SD1 and PVS. Mahalo!

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Ryan Scott Gorrell	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha;

I would like to express my support for this bill to help support the very important nonprofit organization, Polynesian Voyaging Society.

Mahalo.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Tamara Moan	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB60. This proposal supports the Polynesian Voyaging Society which is funded through donations; it is continually in need of supplemental funding for its various programs and undertakings and this bill would aid with that. PVS is an important model for bringing our native age-old knowledge forward into the modern world and it holds a unique place in our state. The attractive design for the plate is a good "calling card" for PVS and a way for the organization--and the important cultural and environmental actions it promotes--to gain added visibility.